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Lady of the



The race was on for nine contestants competing for the bracelet and the title during the 48^{th} annual Miss Lady of the Bracelet pageant on February 3.

Corina Harwood, senior psychology major, walked away with the crown and bracelet at the end of the evening. She also won the swimsuit competition.

"Last year was the first year I competed in the pageant and I got so close I wanted to try again," Harwood said. "I didn't want to give up on my dream and this year it came true."

Harwood is looking forward to representing NSU at the Miss Louisiana Pageant and helping her platform, Special Olympics, grow in Natchitoches and in Louisiana.

"Helping with Special Olympics can make a big impact on people." Harwood said.

The pageant consists of interviews, swimsuit, evening gown and talent sections. Miss Louisiana 2006, Jamie Wilson, served as Mistress of Ceremonies.

Mandi Ridgedell, senior theatre major, was named first runner up as well as receiving the talent and evening gown

awards and the Liz Carroll People's Choice Award. Tracena Collongues, sophomore theatre major, was voted Miss Congeniality by the other contestants.

"My goal was to get in the top five, so I was not expecting to receive so many awards," Ridgedell said. "The People's Choice award meant the most to me because it was voted on by the audience and performing is something I enjoy so much. I am glad I connected with the audience."

Sophomore biology major Tobin Johnson was fourth runner up, junior biology major Natasha Bennett was third runner up, and sophomore business major Kayla Pitcher was second runner up.

There was more than just competition at the pageant; friendships were also formed.

"I really liked the practices the best," sophomore liberal arts Sara Mayeux said. "It was fun hanging out with the girls. It didn't really feel like a competition until we were waiting on stage for the winner to be announced."

Lela Coker

(Above) 2006 Miss LOB Raven Bryson, 2007 Miss LOB Corina Harwood and Miss Louisiana Jamie Wilson pose after the pageant.

Photo by Gary Hardamon

(Right) Corina Harwood, newly crowned, basks in the limelight. Photo by Gary Hardamon



Bracelet

(Right) Mandi Ridgedell took home the awards for evening gown, tallent and the Liz Carroll Peoples Choice award.

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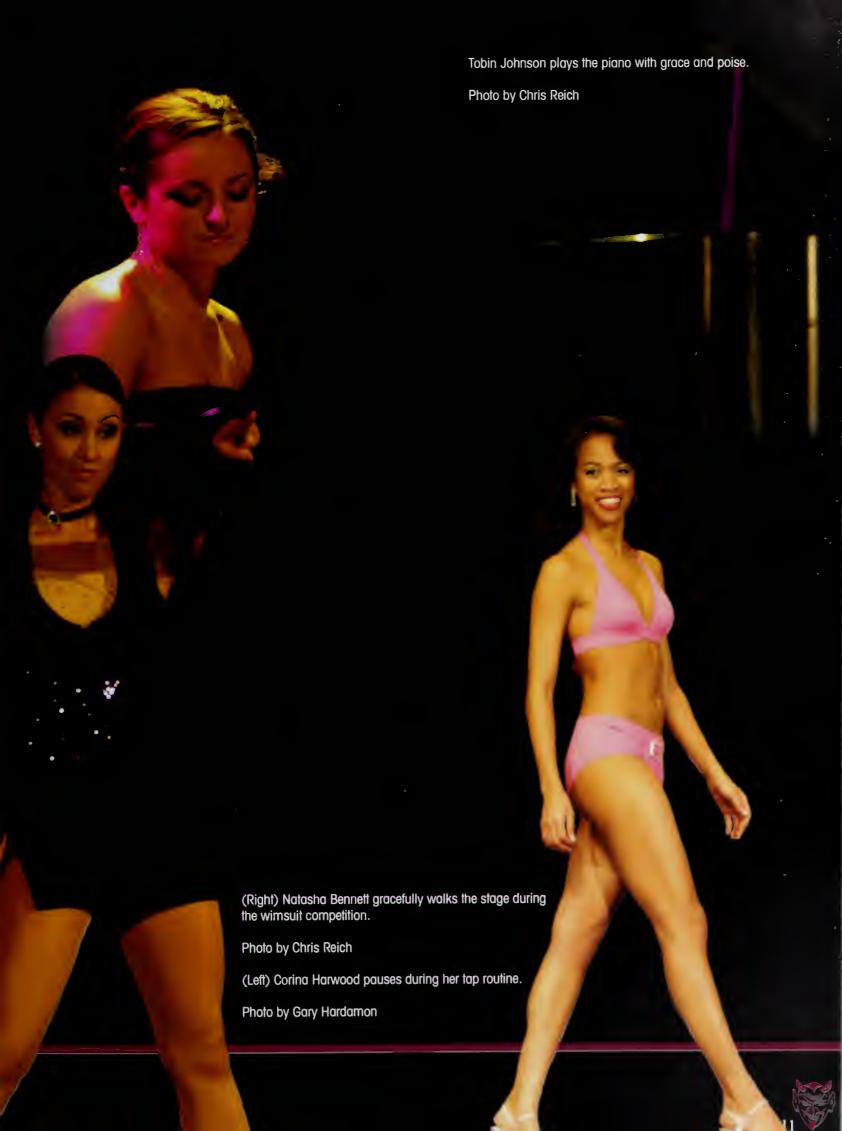
Brittney Fink sings 'I Hope You Dance" by Leann Womack for her talent.

Raven Bryson waves a final farewell as the 2006 Miss LOB.

Corina Harwood struts her stuff during the swimsuit compeptition.

Photos by Chris Reich







Miss City of Lights Hannah Salter throws candy during the parade.

Photo by Chris Reich

NSU students perform the finale at the annual Christmas Gala.

Photo by Chris Reich

Christmas Fest



Christmas is a time to spread joy, love and happiness to everyone and the city of Natchitoches did just that when they hosted the 80th annual Christmas Festival.

Each year the Natchitoches Christmas Festival attracts thousands of people who gather down Front Street to enjoy music, food, arts and crafts, the famous Christmas Festival parade, Christmas lights and good old fashion Southern hospitality.

Charlie Thibodeaux said the festival was more than he expected.

"I got chills," he said.

"It was phenomenal," Thibodeaux said. "The people were totally nice and I don't think we came across any rude people."

Thibodeaux said he enjoyed the way everything was put together and cannot wait to go back next year.

Glenn LeGros said he has been coming to the Natchitoches Christmas festival for the past five years.

"This year was better than all of the other years," LeGros said. "I love how the music and lights were in unison."

LeGros said the festival seemed to offer more this year and he really enjoyed the parade and shopping.

Lee Harris said that some of the shops on Front Street were stopping people

from going in because there was no more walking room.

"I've never seen it like that," Harris said.

Harris said it seemed like there were not as many fireworks as there normally is.

"I think it was because of the new lights on the bridge," Harris said.

Although everyone sees the finished product of the Christmas Festival, there is a lot that goes in to making it all happen.

Charles Brosette, superintendent for the lights, said (I need to check spelling and title), there is over 300,000 lights put up ever year.

"We usually start putting the lights up after the fall tour of homes and do not finish until the weekend before Thanksgiving," Brosette said. "I think we counted 26 days that it takes for us to put this stuft up."

Brosette and his men are not the only ones that keep Natchitoches lit during the festival and after.

Mary Brown, who works for the City of Natchitoches, said that she helps rebulb and rewire the set pieces.

It's usually three months of nothing but Christmas lights," Brown said.

Brown said that by re-bulbing all of the lights before they get put up helps to cut down on the inconvenience people driving down Front Street might encounter if some of the lights happened to go out.

Brosette said before they can put up the lights down Front Street they have to close the street down.

He said he is sure that people get upset but they will get over it.

"By closing the street down it helps to cut down on cars getting hit and it keeps my men safe," Brosette said.

Katie Lopez

STUDERT ACTIVITIES BOARD

The Student Activities Board implemented creative events while continually working to find new ideas in the 2006-2007 academic year.

"It has been an interesting year working with a lot of involved people who are used to being leaders and sometimes having to learn to be followers," SAB President Brandon Tipton said. "This makes the organization challenging, but makes it fun at the same time."

Tipton said that he defines SAB as the voice of the students. "We bring in the fun and the events," Tipton said. "To the average student, we are the ones who bring the free pizza, but we do a lot more than that, most of it, behind the scenes."

Jo'lene Bonck, secretary/treasurer of SAB, said this year SAB started what will hopefully turn into a tradition by having a purple and white scrimmage tailgating party, as well as a second student tailgate in October. The second tailgate offered free food, T-shirts and a band.

Bonck said "basically we had the same turn out as previous years, but right now we are currently working on different ways to get students involved."

In order to get students interested and involved in SAB events Jeni Anderson, Vice President said that they turn to the students.

"We survey the students after every event; and not only do the committee heads have members who serve on their committees, there are students who serve as well," Anderson said. "SAB tries to find out what the students want and the members try to make it happen."

SAB hosted such events as an open mic night, laser tag in the student union, Reeta the Comedian, and the Lagniappe Christmas Event including build-a -bear, ski simulator and Christmas feast.

This members of the SAB executive board consists of Brandon Tipton, President; Jeni Anderson, Vice President; Jo'lene Bonck, Secretary/Treasurer; Britney Burton, Public Relations and Advertising; and Megan Scruggs, Parliamentarian.

Committee heads were Kayla Pitcher, Coffeehouse; Lindsay Maggio, Freshmen Factor, Courtney Wright, Historian, Lindsay Talbert, Lagniappe; Marissa Guidry, Lady of the Bracelet; Nicky Treadway; Special Events and Erica Ware, Service Learning.

Claire Mayeux





student Government Association

Efforts to improve communication between students and SGA members and boost efficiency were at the forefront of their agenda this year.

"We are working to become a well oiled machine," speaker of the senate and senior biology major Natasha Bennett said regarding the 2006-2007 SGA. Bennett said that the SGA was here for the students and they serve as a liaison between the administration and the student body.

External affairs commissioner and senior liberal arts major Kilburn Landry described this year's senate as being particularly opinionated. Despite the passionate attitudes, SGA members worked cohesively to tackle the problematic issues. The SGA handled tough legislation concerning raising student fees and freedom of speech.

On Oct. 9 the SGA voted unanimously to allow students to access networking Web sites, Facebook and MySpace at all times on campus computers. Students packed the Friedman Student Union Ballroom to voice their concerns about Facebook on campus. Many demanded their right to view such networking sights and others saw the slow networks and packed computer labs as a hindrance when trying to access the labs for academic reasons.

Landry said that another controversial issue dealt with raising student fees to help fund Demon athletics.

"The student self-assessed athletic fee was really a step in the right direction [for NSU athletics] to remain competitive [with other universities]," Landry said. "The fee will raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for our athletic department."

Landry commented that we have one of the nicest tracks in the state of Louisiana but no locker room for our alhleles to dress in. NSU also borrows a trainer to work with the players. The money from the fee could help find a permanent trainer for student athletes. The fee is one small step toward making a big difference for the athletic department.

Bennett noted the commitment of the SGA members to standing up for the important issues.

"We tried to veer away from the rubber stamp method when you automatically say yes to every piece of legislation without really discussing it." Bennett said.

Weekly meetings were held in the Ballroom and Cane River Room. The SGA office is in room 222 of the Friedman Student Union.

Junior English major and SGA senator Tim Califlie speaks his mind during the Lacebook torum

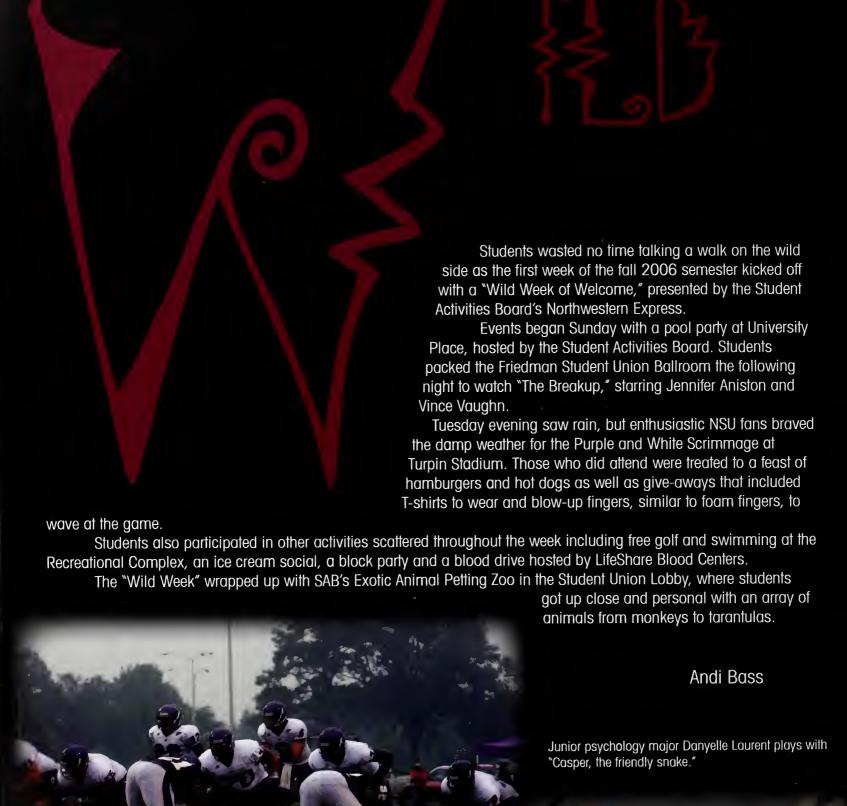


Photo by Cheryl Thompson

Demons prepare with a preseason scrimmage.





Iunior theater major Stephan Poole gets up close and personal with a curious bird.



Photos by Chris Reich

STUDENTS

Slawson and Dixon still hang out upon returning from Iraq. They work on homework and relax by playing ping pona.



Photos by Cheryl Thompson



When called upon to serve our country, some NSU students put their lives on hold to be deployed wherever they are needed at a moment's notice.

It's not just their personal lives that stop. Soldiers seeking a degree at NSU put a hold on their academic lives as well.

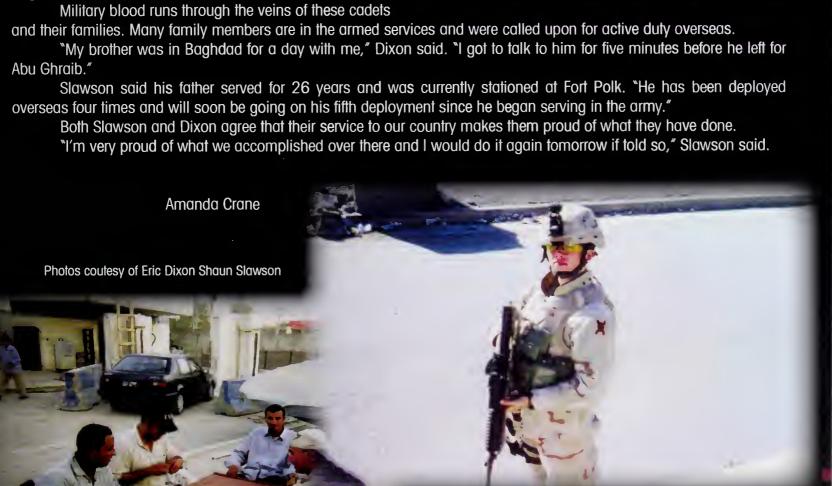
"I had to finish the semester early and was unable to finish finals," junior history major Shaun Slawson said. "The teachers were good and they gave me my grade as it was at that time."

Cadet Slawson was deployed in May 2004 and served 18 months of active duty in Iraq. One of his duties included assisting the Iraqi people during the election.

"I was away from my family and friends so long, but I believe it has made me a better person," Slawson said.

Eric Dixon, also a junior history major, was deployed in April of 2004 and served for 18 months in Iraq. The interaction with the people and being on the streets of Baghdad are things that Dixon still remembers.

Military blood runs through the veins of these cadets



MU SPACE

FACEBOOK

Facebook and MySpace are two dominating forms of communication among students. Both networking tools allow students to keep up with one another, as well as the events happening on campus and around the community.

"I have Facebook so I can keep up with events on campus and friends back home I went to school with," freshman psychology major Maegan Vicari said. "I used MySpace at first just for fun, but now I use it to keep up with friends. I use Facebook and Myspace everyday. If I did not have them, I would lose contact with a lot of my friends."

Recognized Student Organizations also use Facebook for communication between members.

"Facebook is a vital part of the communication process for Students Activities Board," SAB Lagniappe Committee Head Lindsay Talbert said. "Without it, there would be lots of last-minute announcements people would not know about.

On average, I would say an SAB member checks Facebook 2-3 times a day."

RSOs also use Facebook as a way to publicize and invite people to upcoming events. Facebook can also help organizations estimate how many people are planning on attending events.

"Facebook is great for advertising an event. Before Facebook, you could put signs up around campus and hope people saw them. When using online messengers like Facebook, it is guaranteed your event will be seen. It's a unified method of communication," said junior journalism major Lane Luckie, who is also the public relations chair of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity. "I think it has made an impact on how many people come to our events. People can get more details and information about an event."

Because Facebook and MySpace are so popular with students, they have caused problems. On-campus computer labs were relied on too heavily as a place to stop and check for new announcements. The dependence on school computers hindered students who actually had to do work and research.

"Probably 80% of people that come into the computer lab in Bossier [Hall] come in just to check Facebook or Myspace," student worker at Bossier computer lab, Louden Wells, said. "They usually stay for about 30 minutes. When someone comes in to do work, they are

good about getting up and letting someone else on the computer. Usually if they are asked, a student using Facebook or MySpace will leave when other students need to the computers. There's very little Blackboard," Wells said.

Facebook and MySpace faced getting banned on-campus by the Student Government Association because of the problem.

Junior nursing major Phillip Camdella said, "I'm glad Facebook and Myspace didn't get banned on campus, because it is a great way for students to communicate. The student body really came together to show how important the roles Facebook and Myspace play in our daily lives."

Lela Coker

TEXT MESSAGING

(Right) Students check their MySpace pages in the computer lab in Watson Library.

(Below) Raised hands show a nearly unanimous vote not to ban Facebook on campus.



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Miss Black

Photos by Jeremy Brown of Jeremy Brown Photography



US America

Sophomore business major Orelia Lawdins was crowned the 2006 Miss Black US America.

Lawdins started entering beauty pageants in 2001. Since then, she has competed in pageants such as festivals, America system, USA system, Miss Black America and Miss Black US America.

Lawdins said she was nervous because she had been outside the pageant circle for a year when she decided at the last minute to enter Miss Black US America. Despite her nerves and uncertianty, Lawdins captured the onstage interview and physical fitness portion of the pageant.

"I even told my family not to worry about coming to the pageant and I won! I couldn't believe it," Lawdins said.

Now that she is Miss Black US America, Lawdins has the duty of setting everything up for her platform, "Education Through the Community." She stays busy promoting her platform, promoting pageants and doing community service.

Lawdins is involved in such campus activities as NSU honor sorority and BPA (Business Professionals of America). She says she likes working with organizations to meet different people from different walks of life.

When she isn't on campus or out in the community Lawdins enjoys shopping, spending time with family and friends and watching movies.

For Lawdins, competing in pageants is more than just a hobby. She plans on competing as long as she is eligible, until the age of 24.

"I didn't do pageants growing up, that was more my sister," Lawdins said. But once she started she just couldn't stop. "My family has been very supportive."

Her advice to anyone interested in pageants is "definitely try it and definitely network. It can only help you as a person. Pageants expose you to a lot of situations and you have to learn to improvise. They set you up for business interviews, get you organized and prepare you for anything."



Ashley Lewis





"She keeps me in line," said Mr. NSU about Miss NSU.

Cody Newsom and Britney Burton met their first day on campus and have been friends ever since. Four years later, they were chosen by their fellow peers in a run-off election to represent the university as the 2006 Mr. and Miss NSU.

""It was such an honor to be chosen along with Cody," Burton said.

Burton is a senior biology, chemistry and physics triple major from Bossier
City. Over her collegiate career, she has been a member of the Purple Jackets,
Blue Key, Circle One and the Life Science Club. She was also Sigma Sigma Sigma president, a Student Activities Board coordinator as well as the 2005 Homecoming
Queen.

Newsom, a health and human performance major from Mt. Vernon, Texas, initially came to NSU for the track and field team but soon joined a host of other organizations, including the Kappa Alpha Order and Student Activities Board.

Newsom also became a Freshman Connector.

"She was one of the first girls I met here because of Freshman Connection,"

Newsom said.

"I'm completely humbled by it," Burton said, who was also elected 2006 Greek Woman of the Year. She and Newsom were honored at the Nov. 12 football game against McNeese.

"It's been a good learning experience as far as learning leadership skills, time management and people skills," Newsom said about his years at NSU.

"The school's been good to me. I've had a lot of opportunity to get involved and learn about myself," he added.

Their duties included delivering the invocation at graduation and acted as official hosts of NSU whenever called upon to do so.

(Above) Newsom listens attentively at an SAB meeting.

Newsom and Burton rock it out 80s style at FYI.

MARCH



(Above) Newsom and Burton recognized as Mr. and Miss NSU at home game on Nov. 12 with Randall Webb and Patrice Moulton.

Photo by Gary Hardamon

(Left) Burton jokes around at an SAB meeting.

Photo by Teranda Donatto



Free condoms are available to students in addition to informational pamphlets about safe sex.

Photo by Cheryl Thompson

Senior family and consumer science major Jenah Darbonne checks junior political science major Dominique Rushing's blood pressure.

Photo by Cheryl Thompson



Student

Student Health Services provides care, prevention information and free counseling for physical and mental illnesses to students in need of medical treatment.

Students pay a \$25 health service fee that gives access to the campus medical clinic. The clinic is adept to assess physical ailments, give immunizations and prescribe over the counter medications.

If the illness can not be treated by the one full-time and two part-time nurses on staff, two local internal medicine specialists, Dr. Mary Long and Dr. Michelle Mayeux, visit the clinic once a week and on special circumstances to treat ill students.

Student Health Services, along with Counseling & Career Services and Student Support Services, facilitates an oncampus health screening to provide information about health risks three times a year.

The free screenings and health pamphlets are available to students on a variety of physical and mental illnesses, such as breast cancer, depression, eating disorders and alcohol abuse. To help prevent the spread of germs, the clinic sponsors a campaign to educate students of the importance of washing hands thoroughly and coughing properly.

"If a student gets sick, we want to be able to intervene immediately to get them back to class to complete their degree," Stephanie Campbell, director of student health services.

The nurses and physicians at the health service clinic provide the student body with care and information. They not only treat the ill, but they also inform to prevent illnesses from occurring.

The clinic sees and treats numerous students on a daily basis, with nurses working overtime to treat students. The care and dedication that the nurses and physicians put into their work makes them true assets to NSU.

Junior education major Melissa Anderson makes a file for a palient.

Photo by Cheryl Thompson





Moving out of the parent's house and rooming with other students can bring up some sticky issues when it comes to keeping house.

Dishes, laundry, taking out the trash and grocery shopping are just a few of the circumstances that roommates

must negotiate.

Sophomore health and human performance major Alicia Cannon and sophomore psychology major Brittini Guillory are two NSU students rooming together who at first had conflicts over grocery shopping.

"We have problems with deciding who should buy stuff," said Guillory.

However, Cannon and Guillory found that shopping together worked well because they found ways to reach a compromise.

Guillory and Cannon were acquaintances, but not close friends when they moved in together. Guillory found that "you have to make sure you are sort of alike, but it is better when you are not too close."

Guillory said that getting along takes work and that it's like being husband and wife.

But it doesn't stop at buying the food. Even after the food makes it to the house it can still be the center of tensions when it is left out or eaten but followed by a trail of dirty dishes in its wake.

Andi McKay, junior English major, and Savanna Mahaffey, junior english education major, are NSU students living together.

"We snap at each other. I found three-month-old cucumbers in the icebox crisper. It was like mashed up cucumber soup," said McKay.

"I'm the worst with dishes," admitted Mahaffey.

Yet, having roommates is not always so bad.

McKay and Mahaffey have found that rooming with people who have a similar major can be very beneficial. They said they have a lot in common and otten proofread each others papers.





(Leff) A pile of dirty dishes is often the source of roomate strife.

(Right) Mckay and Mahaffey work side by side on their KNWD morning show.

Photos by Chris Reich

THE TOUTH ABOUT POOMATES





OMECOMING



The 2006 Homecoming Week excited current students and welcomed alumni home to Natchitoches with days filled with rock 'n' roll and fun.

Jeff Mathews, director of student activities and organizations, said that this year's homecoming was great because it went smoothly and had so much activity packed into the week.

"There was something for everybody so everyone was included," Mathews said. "If it was at the sit-down meal, the rock concert, the fun run, or the alumni art show. You name it, it was all in there."

Mathews also said that although participation was lower than expected because of the rainy weather, quality activities assured that those who did attend had a great time.

Nicki Treadway, special events SAB committee head, was in charge of planning the homecoming events centered around the rock 'n' roll theme. The week started with the kick-off party on Monday, Oct. 23. Also held on that date was the Elvis impersonator concert.

Tuesday was the traditional lip-sync/homecoming hunnies event that Treadway said had a great turnout and increased participation from previous years. For the overflow of people, the event was broadcasted in the student union lobby.

While students watched the acts, they voted on their favorite organization in lip-sync and homecoming hunnies by donating money to the organization bucket. All proceeds went to the Save the Music Foundation.

Wednesday was the rock 'n' stroll event, but because of weather it was rained out and moved indoors. Three Chord Truth played Wednesday and the Ginger Leigh and Ross Paul Band performed Thursday for a benefit concert. Friday was the annual homecoming parade and Saturday the Demons defeated Texas State University 19-10.

Tyisee Fisher, senior CIS major, attended both the lip-sync and homecoming hunnies events on Tuesday and the homecoming game.

"The lip-sync and homecoming hunnies could have been better because some people wanted to get in, but they had to watch outside," Fisher said. "The participation was good, and

the acts were really nice. I had a ton of fun at the game too."

The 2006 Homecoming court consisted of Natasha Bennett, Morgan Ceaders, Lindsay Maggio, Jessica Pitcher, Mia Poullard, Megan Scruggs, Latory Davis, Krystal Gipson, Lakeisha Gray, Isaih Boyd, Blaine Clemons, Sherman Desselle, Tasmin Ivey, Waylon Metoyer, Cody Newsom, Christopher Simon, Reed Thomas, and Brandon Tipton. The homecoming king was Malcolm Bihm and the queen was Nikki Ceaser.

Claire Mayeux



GOT GATES?

NEW GATES TO PROMOTE CAMPUS SAFETY



Security gates were constructed for four of the five entrances on campus as an attempt to make the campus safer at night.

The iron gates were donated by alumnus Joe Dow, owner of Dow Fence and Pipe in Houston.

NSU officials were interested in gated entrances for several years. They closed the university during semester breaks to experiment. It was found that closing the campus was effective in reducing burglaries and car break-ins.

Ricky Williams, chief of police for the University police, said in July the crime rate was very high before they put up the barricades during holidays. After the barricades, it was down to almost nothing.

President Randall Webb said the gates' main purpose was to enhance the safety of students living on campus. They would also add aesthetic appeal to the campus entrances.

The gates arrived in a large shipment in early November and were assembled one at a time. Tarlton Drive, Central Avenue, Sam Sibley Drive and Jefferson Drive were reinforced with gates. Caspri Street was left open, with an information booth guarded by a University police officer.

The gates were closed for the Thanksgiving break and winter break, but were closed by the University police every

night during the spring semester.

The information booth was established as a way to track the activity on campus late at night. Students with an NSU windshield tags could pass on and off campus at night with no problems. Vehicles without tags would be questioned of their intent by the attending officer, and the license plate would be noted.

The gates were closed from midnight to 6 a.m.

Kera Simon

NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSIT CLOSED Enter & Exit 4111 Caspari Street (Above) Gates are closed at all entrances except for the Caspari Street entrance at midnight. (Left) Workers weld the gates in place. Photos by Chris Reich and Kera Simon



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There are so many things that happen on campus it's hard for students to keep up. That's why the NSU Express was created.

"The Express is a coordinating body" Jeff Mathews, Director of Student Activities and Organizations said. "We take all the events that are going on around campus from every organization and organize them into weeks," Mathews said.

Each week is run by a committee, and each committee is run by a student and faculty co-chairman so all the pressure is not on one person. The Express

organizes weeks such as Welcome Week and Homecoming week in the fall and Big Easy Week, Feb. 12 – Feb. 16, and Louisiana Spring Fling, March 19-23, in the

Spring semester.

The NSU Express rarely holds its own events; it's simply there to make it easier for students to find out what is already happening on campus. The new screens in the student union is one way this information is made available. There is also a link on the NSU homepage, marked NSU Express, that can be accessed to find out the dates of all the upcoming events on campus.

Mathews remarked that it is a team effort, including Patrice Moulton, himself, and many other staff members and students. The NSU Express is becoming more organized and the events held are continually growing thanks to the fact that the information is becoming easier to find. Students are becoming a part of everything that goes on and one of the main reasons is that the NSU express keeps chugging along.

Trace Hester



A banner outside the Union kept students aware of events during Service Week.

Photo courtesy of Partic Dubios

Spring Fling

The SAB hosted "Extreme Spring Fling" on March 20-23, 2006, to give students a chance to break away from the classroom and have fun in the springtime.

"Spring Fling was fun, entertaining and exciting. The environment was very eventful," sophomore hospitality management and tourism major Roderick Wilson said. "My favorite thing was the rock wall because I had never done one before."

The week started off on Monday with Extreme Photos and a butt sketch artist in the student union lobby.

"My roommate and I had a but sketch done together to hang in our dorm room," sophomore Lindsey Chiles said.
"We waited in line for about 30 minutes, but it turned out really cute."

Wednesday's theme was extreme relaxation with foot massages, wax hands, aqua beds, and pillow massages

given in the student union lobby. Students stopped by throughout the day to partake in the stress relievers.

Thursday wrapped up Spring Fling with the annual crawfish boil and games on the practice field. There was music, a rock wall, bumper cars, basketball shoots, dawg tags, extreme trampoline and the chance to hang out outside with friends.

"My favorite part of Spring Fling was eating crawfish," Junior Allyce Hartt said. "As a freshman I thought it was really cool."

Lela Coker

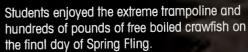


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After a long day of attending classes, endless hours of homework, writing papers that seem to take forever to complete and non-stop studying for tests there is only one thing on a student's mind that could turn their frown upside down.

Putting all those stressful thoughts and never-ending assignments behind them for a few hours of fun with friends and enjoying the night life Natchitoches offers.

One activity for students to do is to hit the hot spots in town. Yesterday's, The Bedrock and the Student Body offer a night of dancing to the hottest music in an atmosphere that will certainly not have you thinking about the assignment they left unfinished.

"I really like to go to Yesterday's. It's small and it has a great atmosphere," sophomore nursing major Miranda Edwards said. "I enjoy dancing and hanging out with my friends and it's so laid back and easy talk to people at a bar."

While some students choose to party hardy, there are other options available for those students who don't want to be in that type of environment. Late night trips to Wal-Mart, dinner at a favorite restaurant, seeing the newest Hollywood productions at the Parkway Cinema or cruising through town with friends enjoying the scenes can be just as much fun as going out to the clubs.

"I do like to have a good time, but I could just hang out with a bunch of friends at the movies or at a restaurant," sophomore early childhood education major Lindsey Bridges said. "I just like to go out for a while, come back to my apartment, and then sit around talking and goofing off."

The opinion on the night life scene varies with each student. From staying home with friends or going out for a wild night on the town, there's never a boring night.

"The night life is awesome in Natchitoches. However, after a while it just gets old because there is never anything new," Edwards said. "It's always the same thing with the same music. If they would have themed nights or special events I believe that the night life scene could be a lot better."

On the other hand, some think the night life scene doesn't need any improvements or changes.

"It's pretty much the greatest thing since Hot Pockets," freshman vocal performance major D. J. Henderson said.

Even those students who don't choose to go out every chance they get have plenty of options when deciding what to do in order to relieve the stress that has overwhelmed them.

"I'm always stressed with schoolwork and there's never a dull moment of that, but I like to hang out with friends, go out to eat, or just sit around in the apartment with them," Bridges said.

No matter how stressed students may be, they can always find a way to forget about their worries and enjoy all of the activities that the night life in Natchitoches has to offer.

Amanda Crane

(Far right) Members of Sigma Sigma Sigma live it up with their sorority sisters at a social event. (Right) Senior art major Davey Ammons prepares to indulge in sushi with his friends.

Photos by Chris Reich





Greek Step

Movies like "Stomp the Yard," and "Drumline" have brought stepping into the mainstream.

Stepping originated in Africa, and was used by African tribes for various rituals NSU journalism graduate Will Moses said. When slaves were brought to America they communicated through dance, much like stepping, because they did not always speak the same language. Stepping for them was telling stories through dance.

Slave masters tried to do away with stepping, but the slaves would not have this and took it underground. Later

this was mixed with Haitian-born ritual practices of Voodoo and Hoodoo.

When NPHC Greeks or Greek lettered organizations were established they were proud to bring stepping back and honor dance rituals that their ancestors were denied so many years ago.

Malcolm Bihm, president of the National Pan-Hellenic Council and vice president of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. said Greek shows are meant to entertain.

Bihm said all Greeks are eligible to compete.

"We host the Golden Explosion show in the spring," Bihm said.

Each organization's show can be anywhere from eight to ten minutes long. The winners of these shows are based on creativity and what the audience likes, Bihm said.

"If you are not creative then you won't win," Bihm said.

Krystal Gipson, member of Alpha Kappa Alpha said that to prepare for shows they practice, but practices depend on everyone's schedules and when they can meet.

"Last spring, my sorority, Alpha Kappa Alpha, placed first in the Alpha Phi Alpha Greek Show and brought in

\$1000 for the chapter," Gipson said.

Step shows promote pride and unity among Greeks and will continue enrich Greek culturefor generations to come.

Katie Lopez



Shows

The brothers of Kappa Kappa Psi rehearse for the spring Alpha Phi Alpha step show. Hours of practice and dedicated precision are the keys to an award-winning performance.

Photos by Chris Reich

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Money Qa

Matt Darby, senior Mus. **Education** major "I get money from loans and pell grants. I work 30 hours a week at Stines and I save money by living at home."

Ines Flores, junior biology major, "I learned to manage my money better because I am using my money and not my parents.

Paul Elliiott, senior math major "I get money from scholarships, my parents and my on-campus job. I spend money on rent, utilities and food and I save money by not eating out everyday."

Samuel Akers, senior biology "Don't spend money you don't have. I don't use credid cards."

> Kory Carr, freshman psychology major "I waste money on fast food because I get tired of eating in the caf. I also see clothes I want and don't really need, but I get them anyway."

Morgan Becker, junior music education major "My money goes to food and entertainment. I can be stingy and I try to spend carefully."

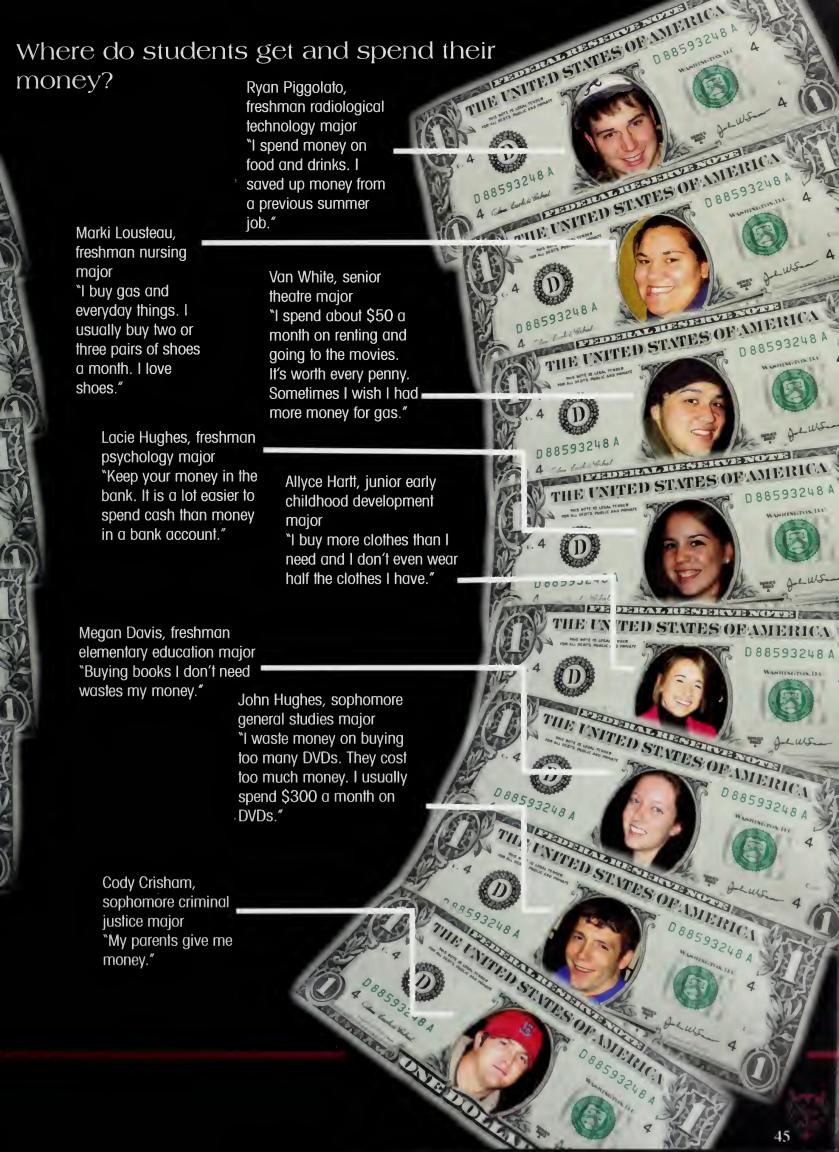
Devin Owens, freshman biology major "I get money from my on-campus job, my parents and schholarships."

Blair David, freshman nursing major "Save money by eating in the caf. You already paid for it."



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(Above) Greeks celbrating unity during a basketball tournament.

(Below) Danielle Wilhelm, Shantell Wempren, Erin Junequ and Jill Skaggs show some sisterly love during homecoming week.

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Long Durple

Have you every walked through the second floor of the Student Union and noticed a wall full of pictures on it? Did you ever wonder who they were and how they got their picture on the wall?

"The Long Purple Line is the highest honor NSU bestows upon an alumnus," Chris Maggio, director of the Alumni and Development Plaza, said.

Maggio said NSU alumni are chosen by NSU based on career accomplishments or services to humanity that have enhanced the reputation of the university.

The Long Purple Line includes alumni from the famous to the not-so-famous, all inducted in the tradition of the Line when it started in 1990 with William J. "Bill" Dodd, a state representative, lieutenant governor and superintendent of public education.

Inductees over the last 16 years include Harry "Rags" Turpin, the most successful football coach in NSU history; Thelma Kyser, who began the physical education major for women in the 1930s; Rep. Jimmy Long, who helped bring LSMSA to Natchitoches; Jackie Smith, considered among the greatest tight ends in NFL history; Judge R.B. Williams, who was a commander in the United States Navy during World War II; and Gary Fields, a nominee for the Pulitzer prize and winner of Journalist of the Year Award by the National Association of Black Journalists.

This year, NSU inducted six alumni into the Long Purple Line, and all were honored at the 2006 Homecoming activities on Oct. 27.

Tom Carleton, chancellor at Bossier Parish Community College, has 39 years experience as an educator and 23 in administration. Carleton oversaw the construction of BPCC's new campus.

Robert Easley, who received business degrees at NSU, went on to serve at NASA from 1964 to 1998. He is also a member of the NSU College of Business Hall of Distinction.

Barbara Jo Pease, with degrees of accounting and business, worked as a legislative aide to Rep. Jo Waggoner before becoming a lobbyist for Shell. She was honored by Texas Executive Women as one of 10 "Women on the Move" last year.

Gen. Curtis Hoglan graduated from NSU with a bachelor's degree in music education before going on to a 30-year career in the military. He served two tours of duty on the Department of the Army Staff in the Pentagon and also served throughout the U.S., Germany, Korea and Vietnam. His decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Meritorious Medal, two Bronze Stars and the Purple Heart.

Kevin Lynch, with a bachelor's in political science, went on to become a sales and marketing executive with Proctor and Gamble for 30 years. Lynch also established the Annie C. O'Neal Lynch Endowment in honor of his wife at NSU. Half of the fund is an endowment that provides a scholarship for nursing students and the other half goes to support the student activities at Holy Cross Catholic Church.

Joe Salter graduated from NSU with a bachelor's and master's degree in education. He has served as the 62 Speaker of the Louisiana House of Representatives since 2004. Salter was honored by NSU for his public service by groups representing education, public libraries, senior citizens, health care, small businesses and local government.

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Curtis Hoglan, Joe Waggoner, Tom Carleton, Joe Salter, Kevin Lynch, and Barbara Jo Pease pose with Dr. Randall Webb during the 2006 induction ceremony.

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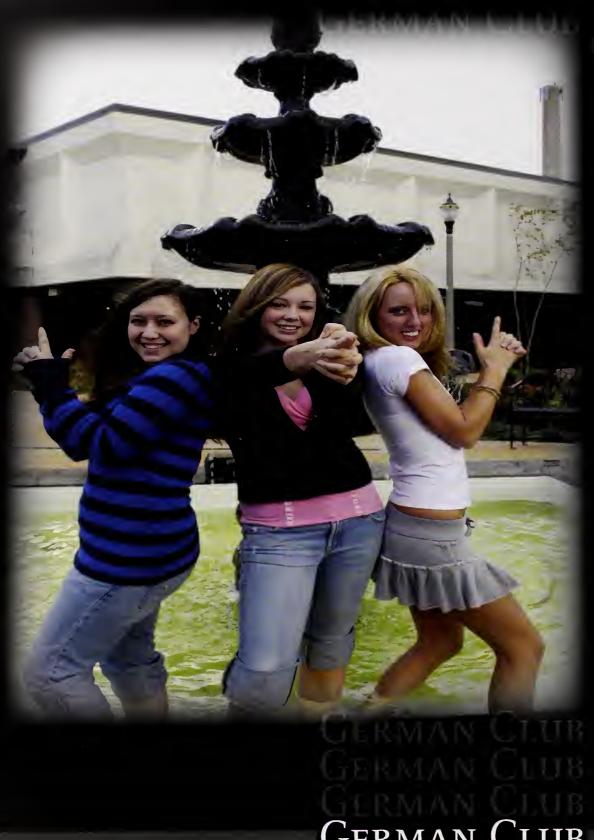


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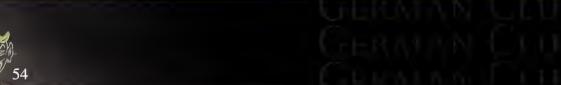




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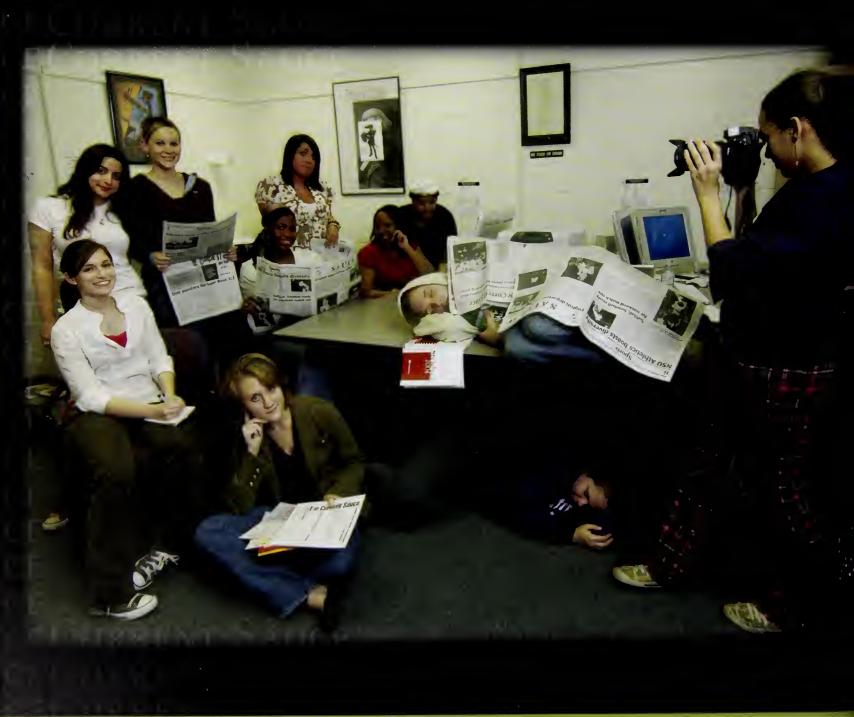
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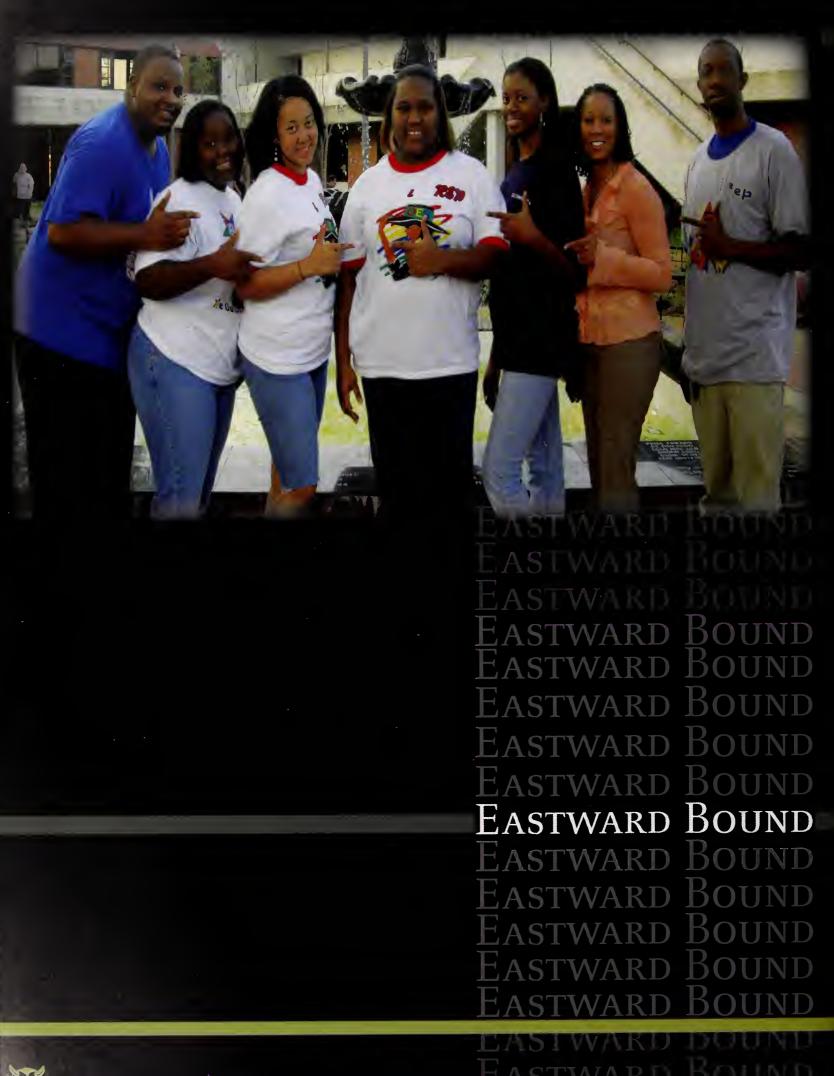




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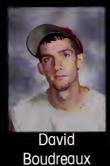






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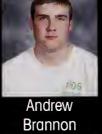
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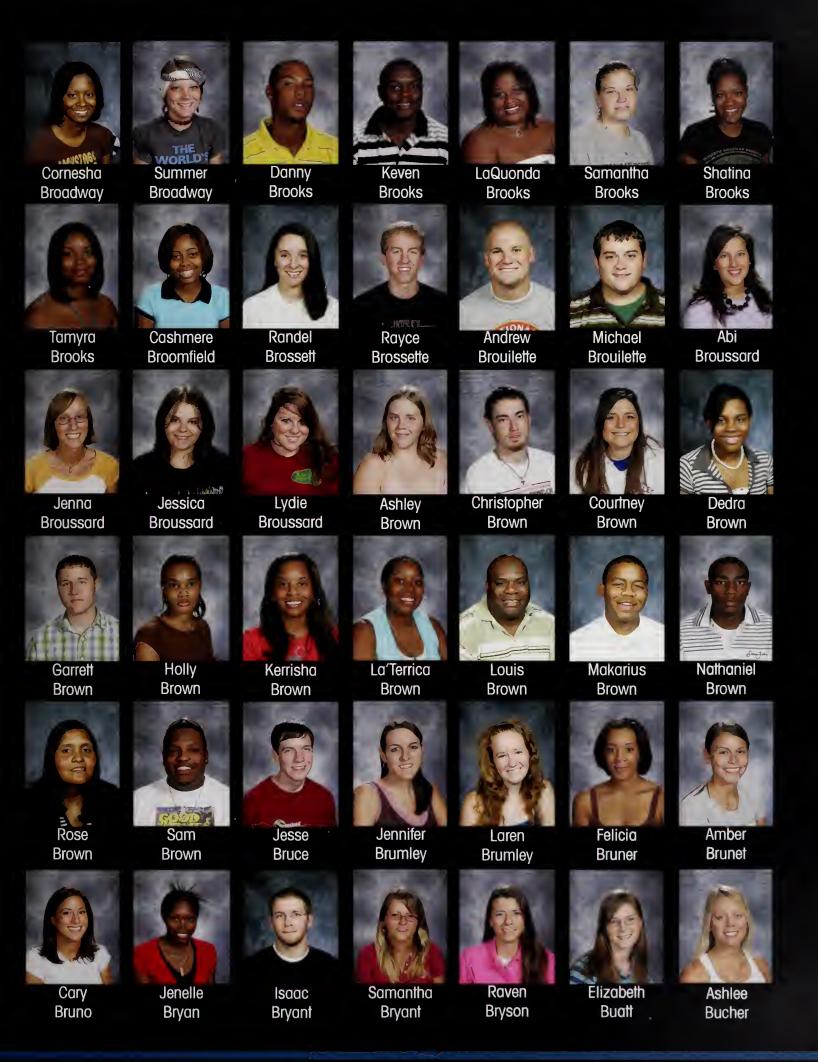


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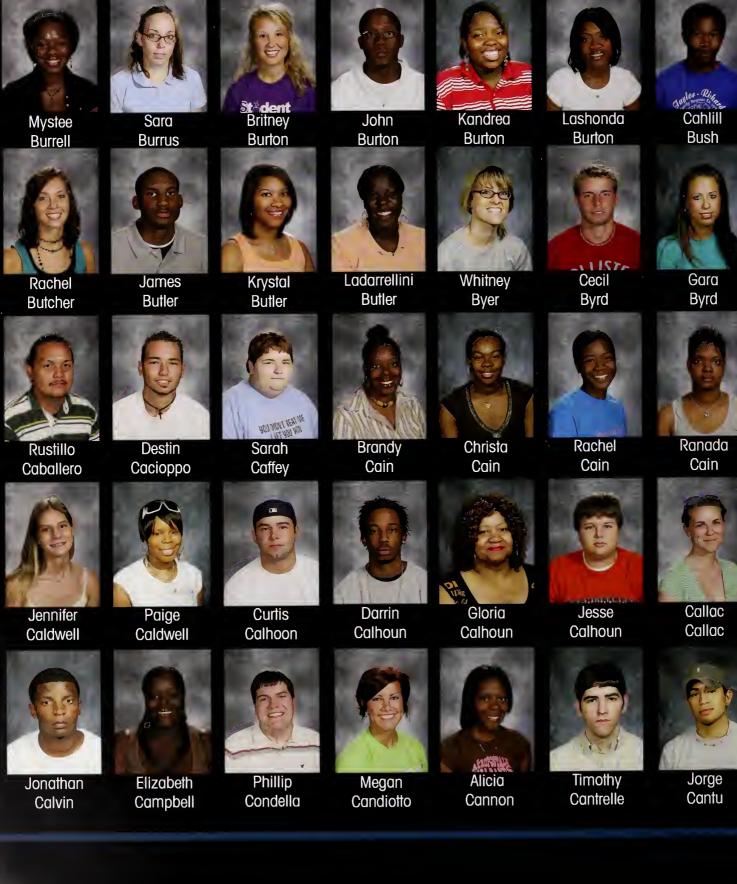


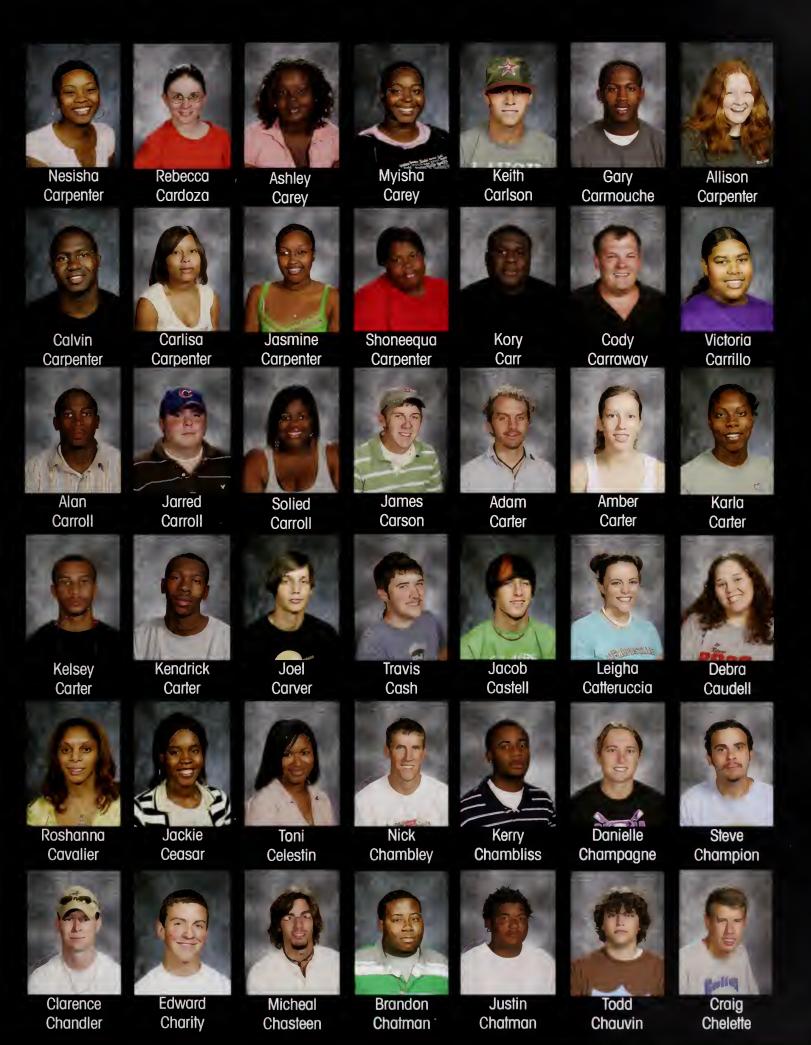
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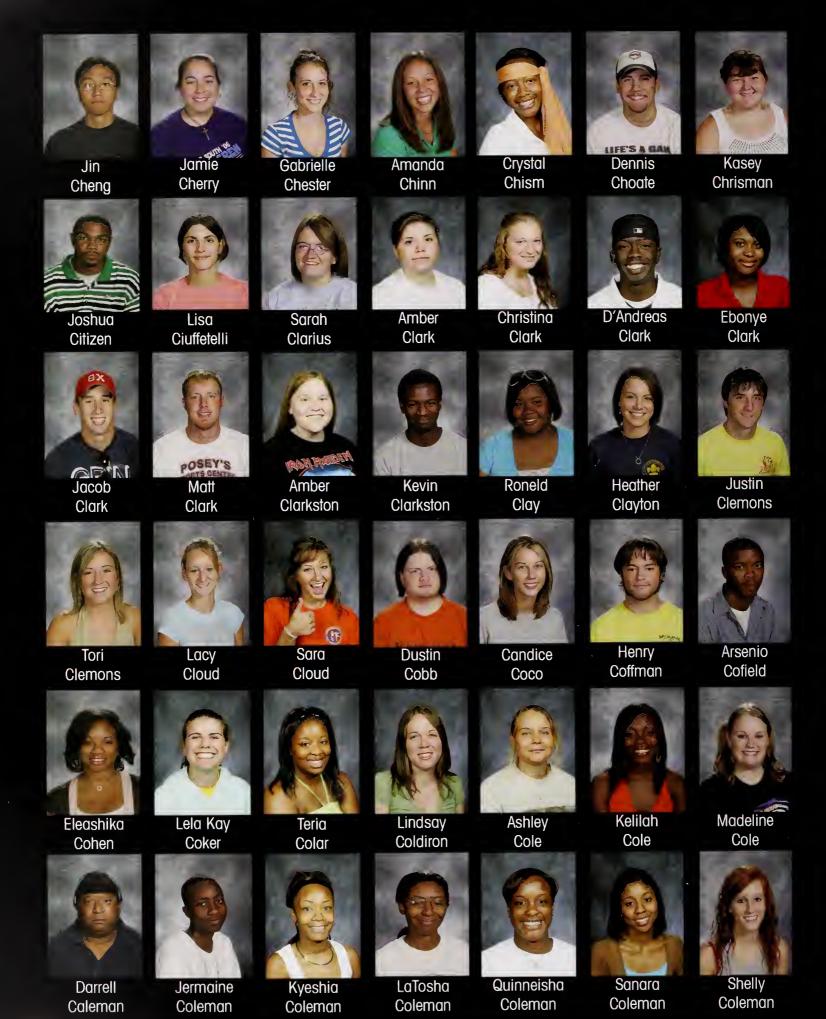
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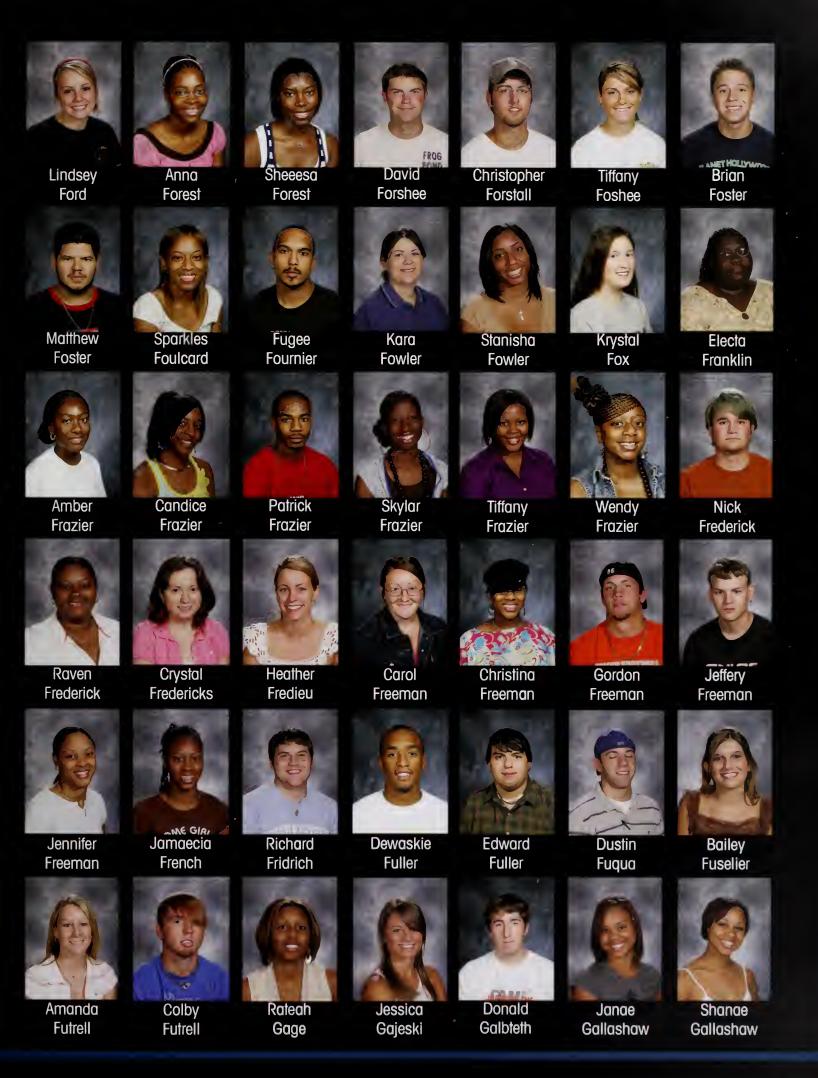
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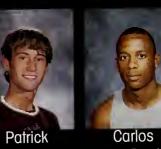




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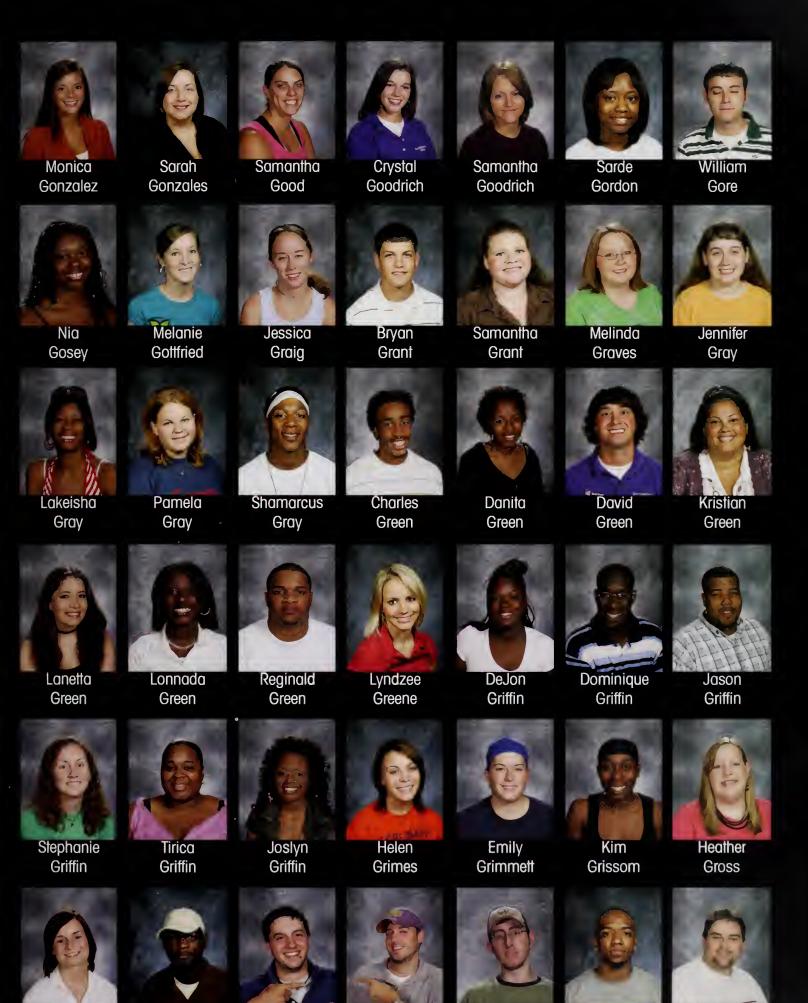
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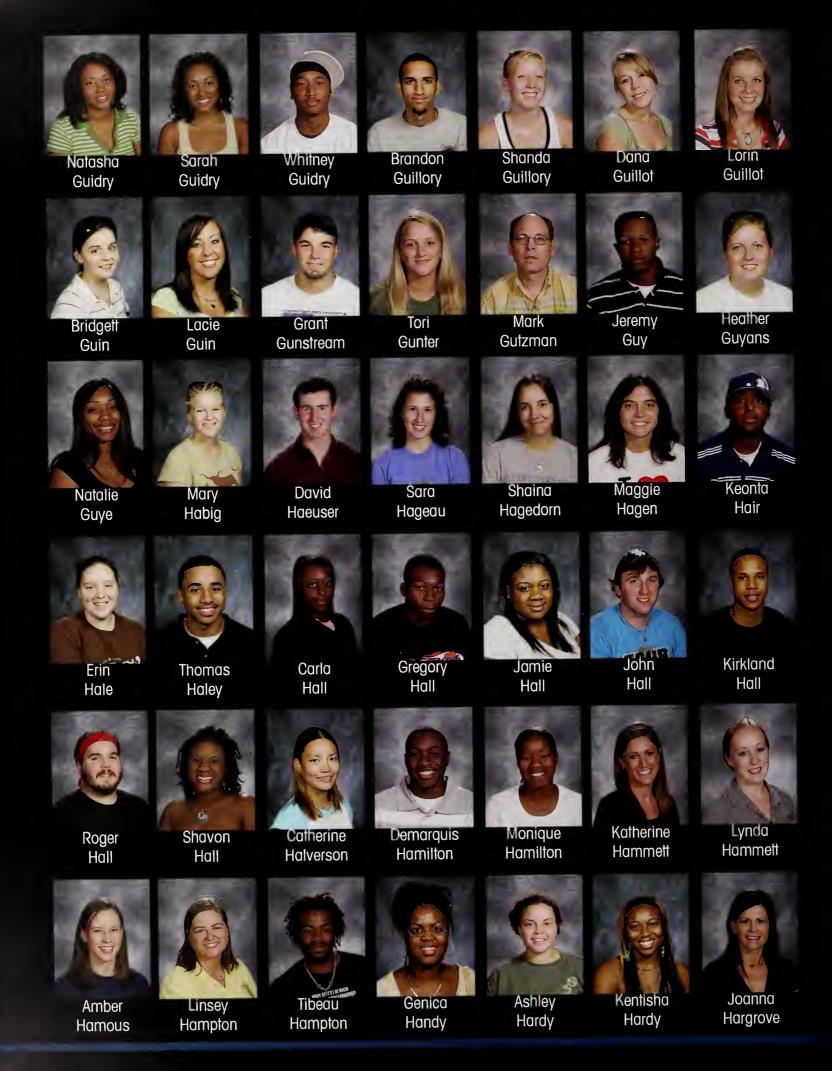
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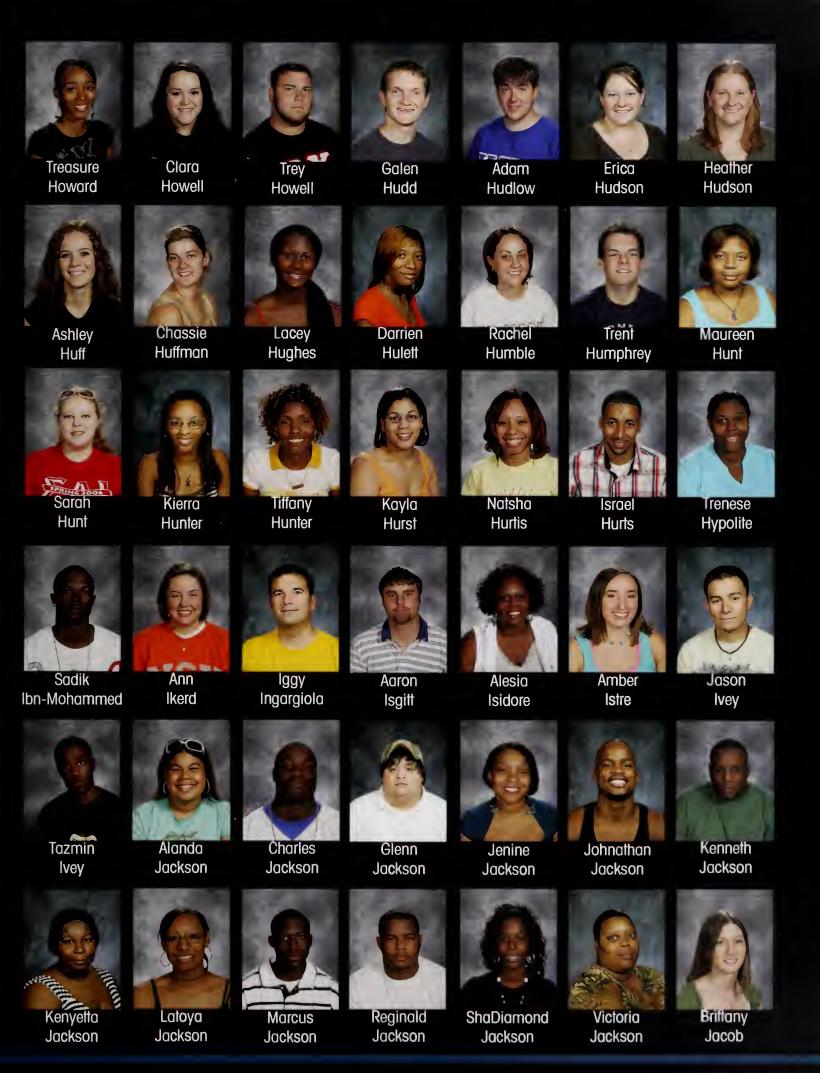
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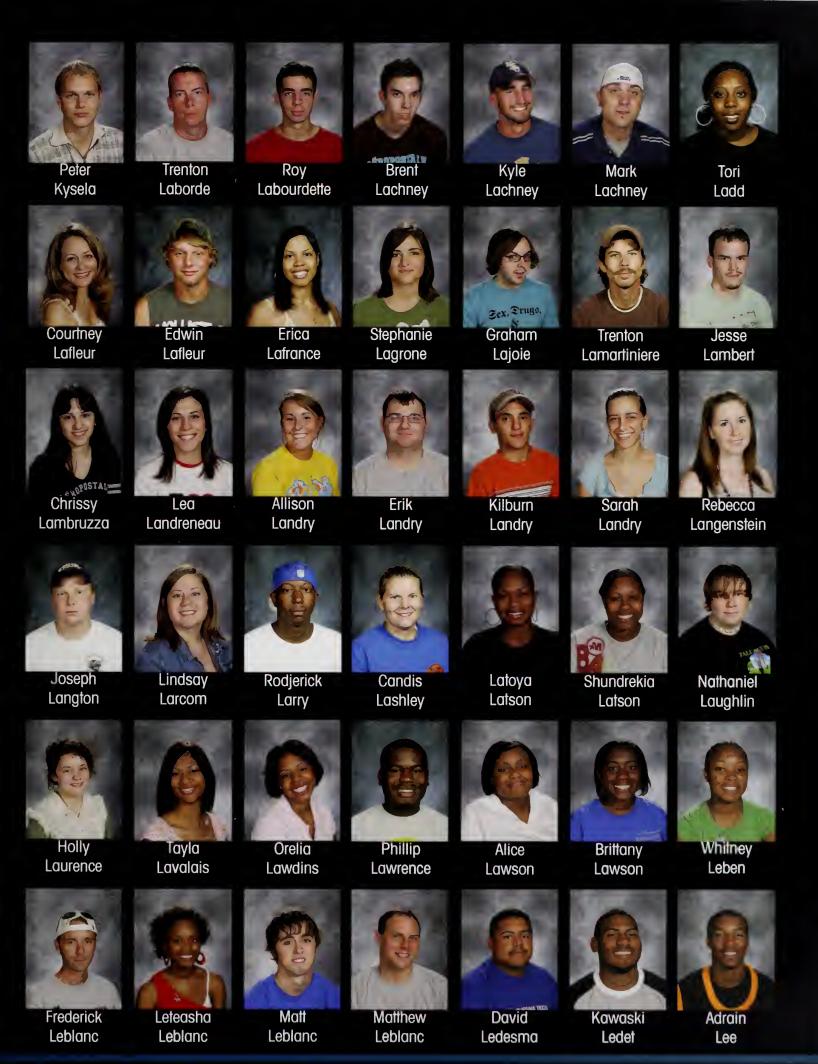
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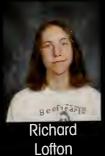


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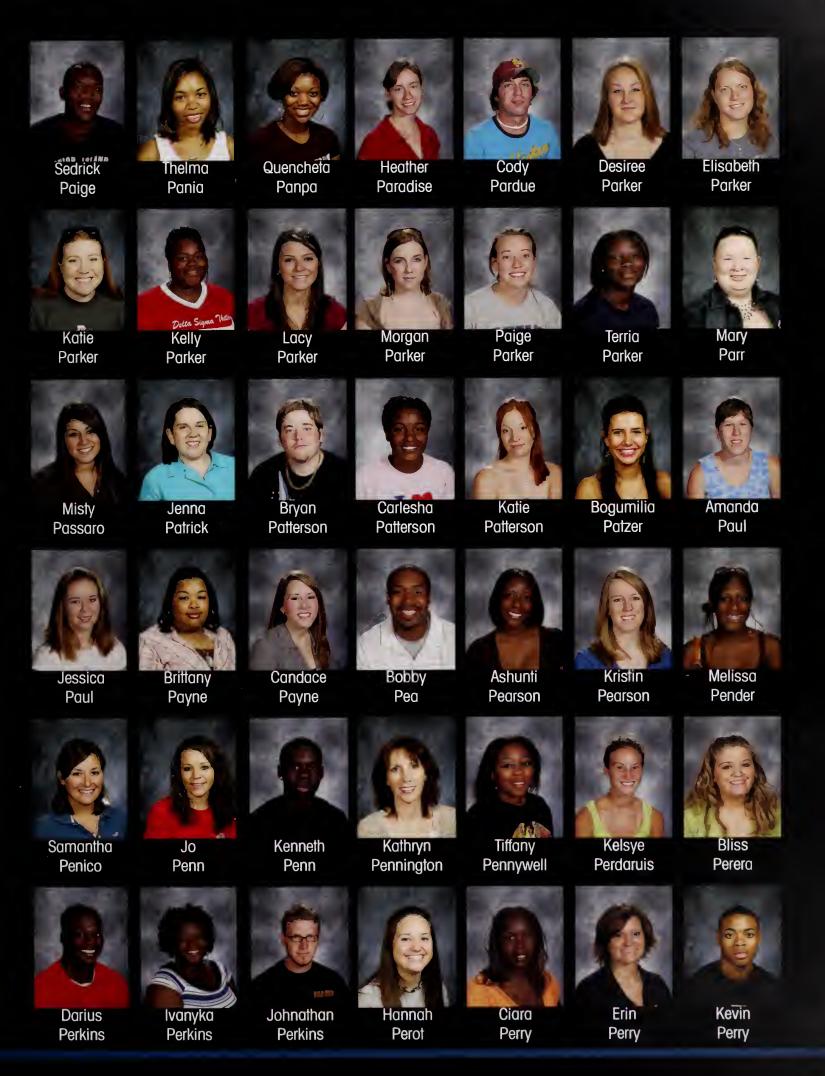
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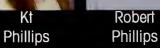
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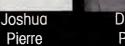


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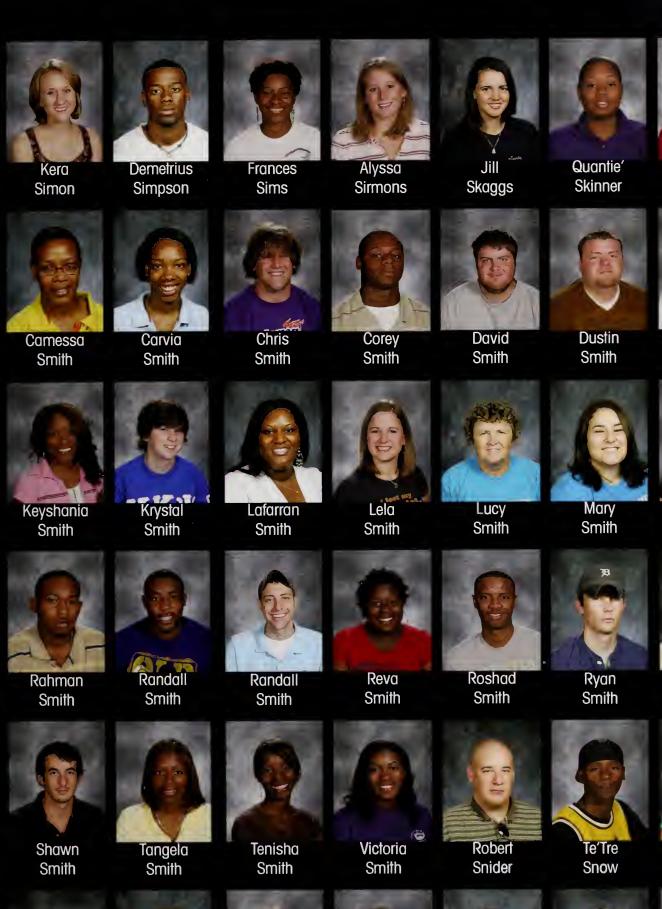
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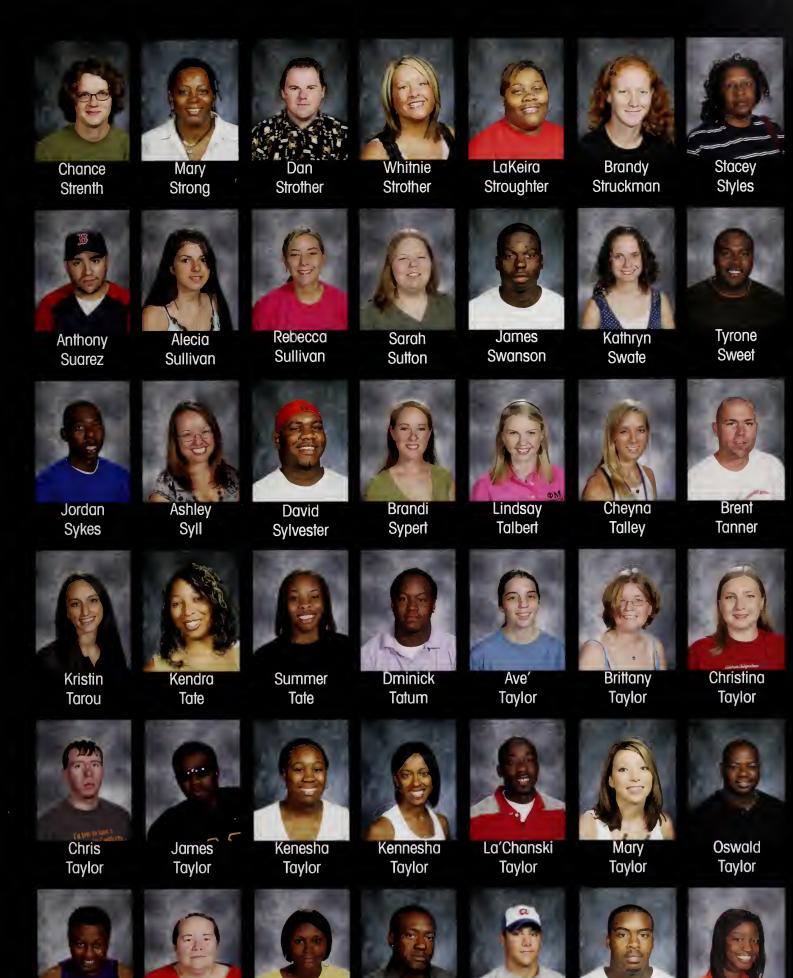
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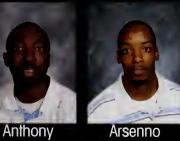


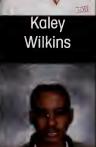




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Julie Longlois



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Bill Manger



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Maureen McHale



Davina McClain



Jay Means



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Joe Morris



Patrice Moulton



Alexei Muravitsky



Tim Murphy



Bobby Nowlin



Jack Pace



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Maxine Johnson



Debbie Moore



Susan Pierce



Susan Snell



Marcia Wells



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Bonnie Bell



Dana Brown



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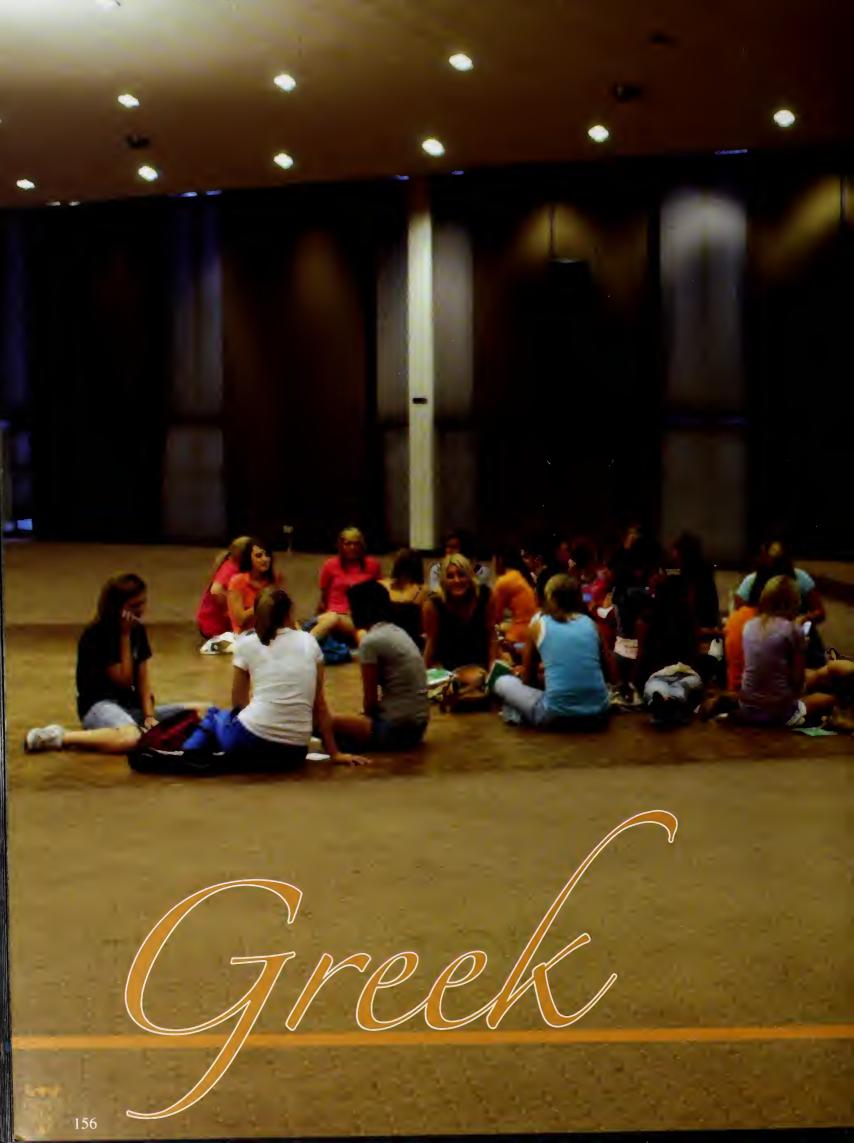
Bob Triplett













GREEK



(Right) NSU Greeks compete with sloppy foods. (Below) Blake Besselman, Billy Ponder and Kenieth Mayweather stuff their faces during the Pepper Popper contest.

Photos by Cheryl Thompson



WEEK

Every year, sororities and fraternities at NSU unite to celebrate being Greek. This week-long event, called "Greek Week," was packed with games and events where members of all Greek organizations compete with one another for fun and charity.

The 2006 Greek Week was titled "Lucky to Be Greek." Events through the week had a Vegas theme, like "Casino Night," where people were asked to bring canned food items for charity.

Another annual charitable event was the "Penny Wars." All Greeks competed against each other by trying to get the most pennies in their jar. The winner enjoys the prestige of raising the most money for charity. All proceeds from penny wars were donated toward Hurricane Katrina relief.

Many events during the week are geared toward entertainment and fun. One such event was mud volleyball. A deep hole was dug and filled with enough water to make a muddy mess. Teams composed of both sexes play volleyball in mud up to their knees.

Another entertaining event was the stomp and strut, where members of the Panhellenic and Interfaternal councils pair up with members of the Pan-Hellenic Council to practice and perform a choreographed stomp. The performances were practiced throughout the week and performed in front of an audience of peers.

Greek Week was a time for members to have fun, raise money for charitable events and to promote camaraderie among members.

Adam Zelasko

(Below) An NSU Greek competes to fill her bucket with strange and icky food.

Photo by Cheryl Thompson





(Above) Alpha Sigma Alpha jump into the pit for some muddy madness.

Photo courtesy of Alpha Sigma Alpha

INTERFRATERNAL



COUNCIL



Kappa Sigma

History: Kappa Sigma was founded in the fall of 1869 at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville. They created a fraternity dedicaded to the pursuit of learning. The founders formilized a constitution and oath based on the ideals of Greek scholar Manuel Chrysoloras. His purpose and beliefs inspire the ideals and principles for all Kappa Sigmas today.



Photo by Cheryl Thompson

Philanthropy: St. Jude's Children's Hospital

Colors: White, Green, & Scarlet

Flower: Lilly of the Valley

Symbol: Star and Crescent



Tota Mu



Kappa Alpha

History: The Gamma Psi Chapter of Kappa Alpha Order was founded at NSU on March 15, 1963. The Alpha chapter was founded at Washington College in 1865.

Aims & Purposes: "To create a lifetime experience which centers on reverence to God, duty, honor, character and gentlemanly conduct as inspired by Robert E. Lee, our spiritual founder."



Photos courtesy of Kappa Alpha

Symbols: Their badge is a symbol of protection, but their Coat of Arms is their most recognizeable symbol.

Flowers: The red rose is used to demonstrate love, masculinity and moral and physical incorruptibility.

The magnolia is used to demonstrate purity.

Philanthropy: The brothers hold an annual golf tounament to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.





History: Theta Chi was founded April 10, 1856, in Norwich, Vt., by Arthur Chase and Frederick Norton Freeman. The Eta Omicron chapter was chartered October 13, 1973.

Photo by Chris Reich

Mascot: Rattlesnake & two double-edged swords

Colors: Military red and white

Flower: Red Carnation

Philanthropy: The brothers volunteer at the Boys and Girls Club.

Aims & Purposes: "To extend a helping hand to all who seek it." The organization's core values are truth, temperance and tolerance.



Eta Omicron

Pi Kappa Phi



History: Founded December 10, 1904, in Charleston, S.C., Pi Kappa Phi has streched across the nation. Pi Kappa Phi came to NSU on February 12, 2000, and has quickly grown to be one of the strongest fraternities on campus, having won the IM in 2001, 2002, 2003, 2005 and having the highest Greek men's GPA for the past seven semesters.

Philanthropy: Pi Kappa Phi is the only national fraternity to found, own and operate their own philanthropy. PUSH America promotes a better understanding of people with disabilities.



Colors: White, Gold, & Blue

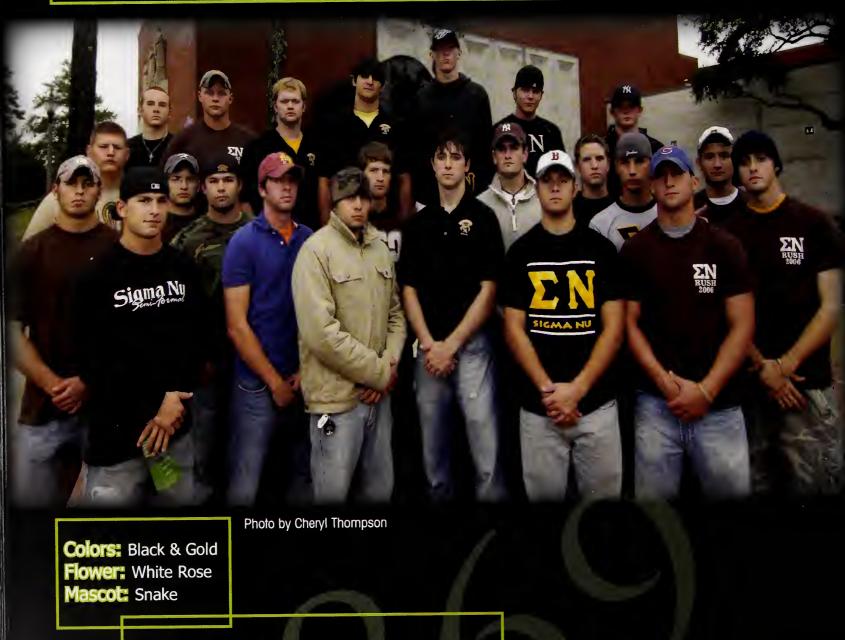
Flower: Red Rose Symbol: Star Shield

Photo by Cheryl Thompson





History: Founded by three cadets at Virginia Military Institue in a period of civil strife known as the Reconstruction, Sigma Nu represented a radical departure from the times. The system of physical abuse and hazing of underclassmen at V.M.I. led the three cadets to form the Legion of Honor agianst hazing which soon became Sigma Nu Fraternity. North America's first honor fraternity was established.



Philanthrophy: Ronald McDonald Foundation



Mu Rho

Tau Kappa Epsilon

History: Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity of TKE was established January 10, 1899, at Wesleyan University, Ill. and chartered at NSU on May 4, 1957.

Colors: Cherry & Grey

Flower: Red Carnation

Symbol: Equilateral Triangle

Photo by Chris Reich



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Photos by Cheryl Thompson

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Pan-Hellenic Council





Delta Sigma Theta

History: Delta Sigma Theta Incorporated was founded January 13, 1913, at Howard University. The first public act performed by the Delta Founders involved their participation in the Women's Suffrage March in Washington, D.C. On May 21, 1972, the lota Mu chapter became the first black female Greek organization on NSU's campus. Founder Sandra Adams Wilson and twelve other NSU sudents chartered the chapter.

Colors: Crimson and Cream

Flower: African Violet



Photo by Cheryl Thompson

Philanthrophy: Habitat For Humanity, American Cancer Society

Photo courtesy of Delta Sigma Theta

Tota Mu

Omega Psi Phi



History: The men of Omega Psi Phi strive to promote manhood, scholarship, perseverance and uplifting one another. They work to accomplish this by participating in community service activities. Examples of their service are mentoring young men at Natchitoches Central High School, holding canned food drives and sponsoring youth athletic teams at local recreation centers. The Theta Delta chapter of Omega Psi was founded on May 26, 1972.





Alpha Kappa Alpha

History: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated was founded on January 15, 1908. It has became America's first greek letter organization established by black college women. AKA has been active at NSU since 1973.

Colors: Salmon Pink and Apple Green

Symbol: Ivy leaf Flower: Pink tea rose

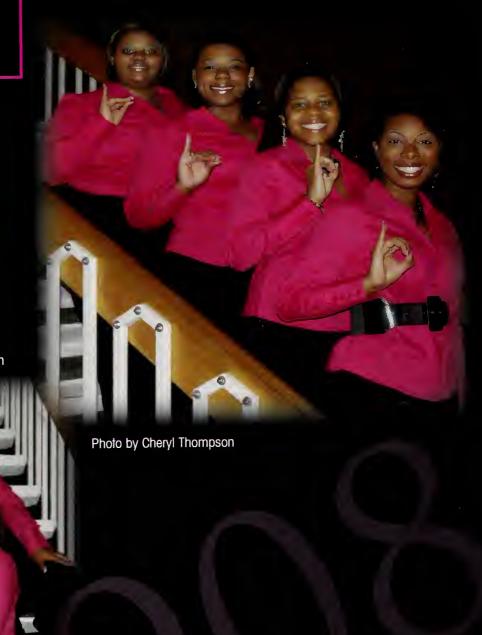


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Alpha Phi Alpha



History: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., began at Cornell University as a social studies club for African-American males. The group was established to fill a void of social and cultural interaction on the lvy League campus. On December 4, 1906, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity was founded by seven of the original members of the social studies club. The Theta Chi chapter was founded in 1973 by brother Hampton Williams. Alpha Phi Alpha was the second black fraternity at NSU.



Photo by Chris Reich

In its 100 year existence, Alpha Phi Alpha has implemented a number of national programs which have benefited the African -American community as well as the general community. "A Voteless People is a Hopeless People" concentrated on voter registration and awareness in the South. "Go to High School, Go to College" focused on the educational enrichment of African American youth. Project Alpha involves frank discussion between brothers and young black men about teenage pregnancy and personal responsibility.







Zeta Phi Beta

History: Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Incorporated was founded January 16, 1920, on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D.C., by five coeds. These women dared to depart from the traditional coalitions for African-American women and sought to establish a new organization predicated on the precepts of scholarship, service, sisterhood and finer womanhood. In the Spring of 1974, the Xi Epsilon chapter was established on NSU"s campus.

Colors: Royal blue & Pure white

Flower: White Rose Symbol: White Dove

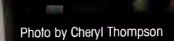


Photo by Cheryl Thompson



Xi Essilon

Phi Beta Sigma

History: Phi Beta Sigma Was ounded at Howard University in Washington D.C., January 9, 1914. The founders were Honorable A. Langston Taylor, Honorable Leonard F. Morse, and Honorable Charles I. Brown. These men wanted to form an organization that expressed the ideals of brotherhood, service and scholarship.



Photo by Cheryl Thompson

Colors: Royal Blue & Pure White

Flower: White carnations

Symbol: White Dove

Mascot: Dove







Sigma Gamma Rho

History: Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority Inc. was organized on Nov. 12, 1922, at Bulter University. Seven young educators founded Sigma Gamma Rho to become a leading national service organization fostering growth through sisterhood, scholarship and service. Their commitment to service is expressed in their slogan "Greater Service, Greater Progress".

Colors: Royal blue & gold Flower: Yellow tea rose

Mascot: Poodle



Photo by Cheryl Thompson





Photo courtesy of Sigma Gamma Rho



Lambda Theta

Kappa Alpha Psi



History: Kappa Alpha Psi was founded at Indiana University at Bloomington, Ind., on January 5, 1911. The Fraternity is built upon the principles of achievement throught a truly democratic fraternity without concern for color, creed or national origin. Kappa Alpha Psi has created the Kappa Alpha Psi Foundation that has a vision "to become the premier Greek letter Foundation in its resources and services to the community."





Alpha Sigma Alpha

History: Alpha SIgma Alpha was founded on November 15, 1901, at Longwood College in Farmville, Virginia.



Crown, Phoenix

Flower: Fall-Aster; Spring-

Narcissus

Aims & Purposes: Intellectual, pshysical, spiritual and social development. To develop women of poise and purpose.

Philanthropy: Special Olympics and the S. June Smith Center of Pennsylvania.



Alpha Omicron Phi



History: Alpha Omicron Phi was founded January 2, 1897, at Barnard College (now Columbia University) in New York City. The four founders sought to establish a democratic, unpretentious society.

Mascot: Panda Color: Cardinal

Flower: Jacquesminot Rose

Jewel: Ruby

Philanthropy: Arthritis research and the national juvenile arthritis organization (national). Boys and Girls Club (local)

Motto: One motto, one badge, one bond, and singleness of heart.





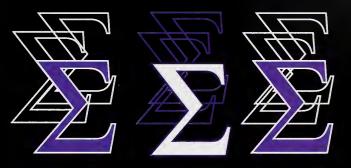


History: Phi Mu Fraternity was founded in 1852 at Wesleyan College in Macon, Georgia. It began as the Philomathean Society, a literary society, and is the second oldest secret society for women.



Aims & Purposes: Live daily by the creed of Phi Mu, which is based on the ideals of love, honor, truth.

Sigma Sigma Sigma 2



History: Sigma Sigma was founded at Longwood College in Farmville, Virginia, in 1903. What began as eight women sharing common experiences has become 80,000 representing diversity on many college campuses today.

Colors: Royal purple & white

Symbol: Sailboat Jewel: Pearl

Motto: "Faithful unto Death"

Aims & Purposes: To ensure a perpetual bond of friendship, to develop strong, womanly character and to promote high standards of conduct.

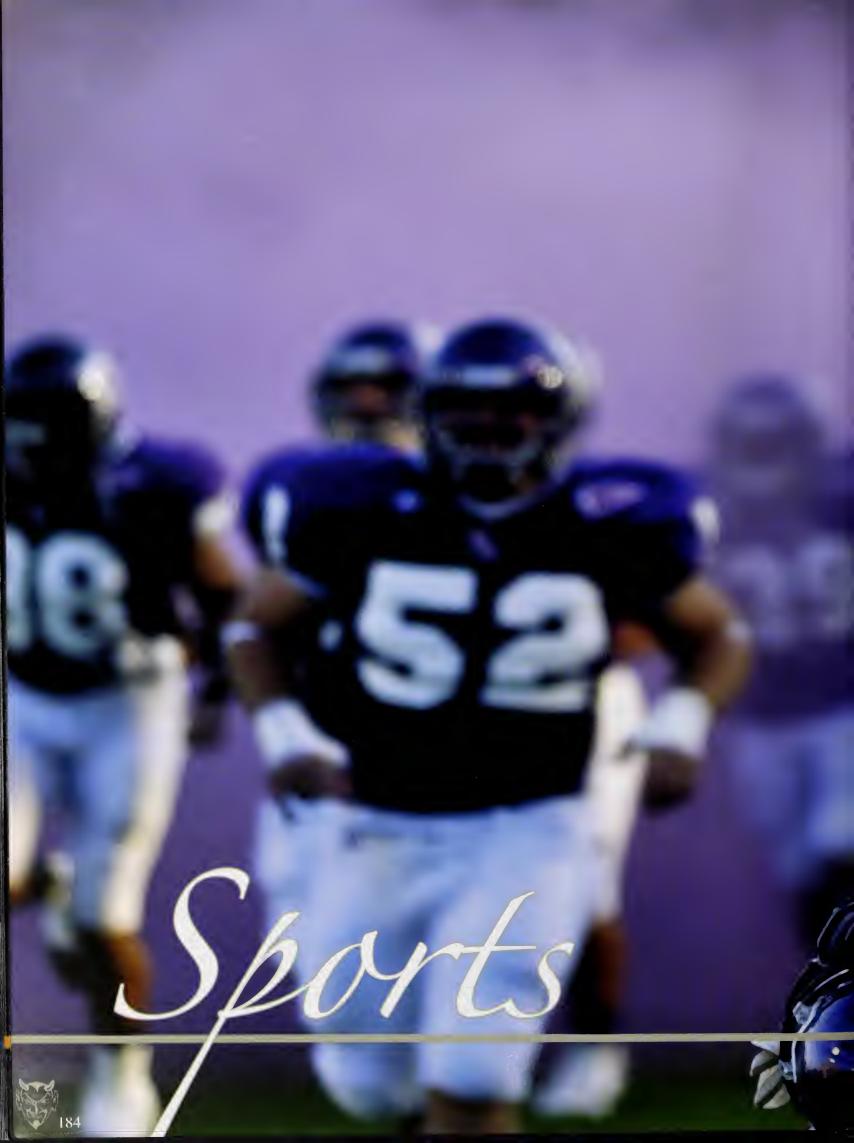


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2005-2006 SEASON

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NSU 23 Delaware State 3
NSU 20 Arkansas-Monticello 3
Sam Houston State 30 NSU 20
Southeastern La. 31 NSU 24
NSU 9 Nicholls 0
NSU 19 Texas State 10
Ole Miss 27 NSU 7
McNeese State 29 NSU 26
Stephen F. Austin 20 NSU 11

Bold indicates home games





(First row) Robert Weeks, Chad Johnson, Russ Washington, Greg Skidmore, Ke Anthony Holmes, Justin Perry, Roch Charpentier, Jeremy Wilburn, Chris Miller, W. Germayne Edmond, Kenneth Charles, Jordan Patton, Trey Sands, Tyler Cheramie Quinten Goodle, (Fourth row) Marshal Burton, Jari Brooks, Darius Perkins, Kase Isaiah Greenhouse, Mack Dampier, Ray Martin, Charlie Brooks, (Fifth row) Kevir Coons, Ben Schwantes, Charles McDaniel, Justin Featherly, Kendall Rodrigue, S. Thomas, Clayton Broyles, Albert Smith, Demetrius Bell, Ed Queen, Reb Bel, Josh Ben Larson, Slade Nagle, Jeremy Offutt, Broderick Fobbs, Johnny Nagle, Scott S.

FOOTBALL



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The Demons certainly had their work cut out for them as they faced three bigger universities in the country as well as teams in the Southland Conference and finished the season with four wins and seven loses.

They began their season on the road against Kansas State University. The pressure of playing for such a large crowd could have meant disaster, but the coaches kept the players' minds focused on the task at hand as the team practiced before the big game.

"At Kansas, there were 85,000 people in attendance, so all we could do was practice hard, prepare them for the crowd noise and convince them that on any given day they could win that ball game," Head Coach Scott Stoker said.

In addition playing Kansas on the road, the Demons played Baylor University and Ole Miss.

Not only do the coaches have high expectations for the players on the field, but they have also guided the team to do well in other areas of life.

"We want the boys to always have a love for the game and have fun on the field and do well in the classroom," Stoker said.

As one season ends and another quickly arrives, the thought of what is to come is always on the minds of the players and coaches as they prepare for the upcoming season.

"We certainly hope to give NSU students and fans a reason to come out and cheer on the Demons in Turpin Stadium beginning Sept. 1, our opener against Henderson State," Stoker said. "Our former coach, Sam Goodwin, is the athletic director there so we definitely want to win."





DEMON

2005-2006 SEASON

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NSU 2 UL Monroe 1

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NSU 8 Southern 0

North Texas 2 NSU 0

Texas Tech 3 NSU 0

NSU 0 Tech 0

NSU 11 Alcorn State O

NSU 3 McNeese 0

NSU 2 Central Arkansas 1

NSU 3 SHSU 1

SFA 1 NSU 0

Southeastern 1 NSU 0

UTSA O NSU O

Texas St 1 NSU 0

NSU 7 Nicholls 1

Texas St 1 NSU 0

Bold indicates home games





First Row: Sam Breland, Shayna Turner, Ellie Cox, Missy Oakley, Mamie Moses, C Kayce Schultz, Heather Burt, Amanda Vines Third Row: Lindy Strahan, Stace Mille Drury, Jimmy Mitchell, Carie Crowell, Hannah Casey, Lauren Miller, Ashley Millhou

SOCCER



Gibbs, Madeline Hall Second Row: Krystle Donaldson, Callie Hayes, Chelsea Brozgold, Lacie Hughes, Walsh, Caroline Seago, Julie Zavala, Tiffany Kawana-Waugh, Johnna Klohoker Fourth Row: Mike Baker, Jason Obbie Hayes, Gabrielle Assayag, Erin Hebert, Manette Keller, Marliese Latiolais, Chelsea Orton, Kati Cooper

MEN'S

2005-2006 SEASON

West Virginia 67 NSU 54 NSU 64 Iowa 63

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ANSU 80 Lamar 66

^NSU 75 Texas-San Antonio 64

NSU 76 Texas State 71

*NSU 97 McNeese State 79

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*NSU 82 Texas-Arlington

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*NSU 81 Monroe 68

*NSU 79 Texas-Arlington 67

Texas A&M 73 NSU 61

Hawaii 80 NSU 76

Iowa State 81 NSU 77

NSU 72 Oregon State 61

NSU 92 LSU-Shreveport

NSU 89 Harding University 61

NSU 68 Oklahoma State 64

Wichita St. 57 NSU 55

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Missouri 81 NSU 72

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Home Games Bold, * Southland Conference Games, SLC Tournament





BASKETBALL



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Northwestern is down by two points but still have faith in each other to pull out a comeback. With just two seconds remaining on the game clock, Jermaine Wallace snags the ball, dribbles to his right, turns and shoots the ball from the three-point line while falling backwards onto the court. As he lands, the ball sinks into the basket, making the final score 64 to 63 and the Demon's are victorious over third seed lowa in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

"As Jermaine shot the ball, I was in perfect view and I knew right away that it was going in," Senior guard and general studies major Eric Woods said. "Once that shot was in, we went bananas."

The Demon's amazing come-from-behind first-round victory over the Hawkeyes dominated the "Pontiac Game-Changing Performance" competition, capturing more than half of the total nation-wide fan votes in the final round to earn a \$100,000 contribution from Pontiac to apply to its general scholarship fund.

"Wallace did what he was supposed to do to get the opportunity to take the last second shot," Coach Mike McConathy said. "An old saying in the game is "on the road, go for the win," meaning take a three point shot because in this case we were down by two points."

The victory over lowa marked only the 15th time in NCAA Tournament history that a 14-seed team had beaten a third-seed team in the first round of tournament action, and the team's motivation and leadership on and off the court made their season memorable and a legacy for all students, faculty, staff, and Natchitoches residents to remember.

"The most rewarding accomplishment was to experience the outstanding support of our student body, the community, the NSU family, and to generate pride in NSU from people literally all around the world," McConathy said. With such an outstanding season of basketball in the past, the Demon's of the future have big shoes to fill as

players have graduated and new players are selected for the team.

"I am hopeful that it will be something we can build on to take in greater steps toward having a great program here at NSU." McConathy said.

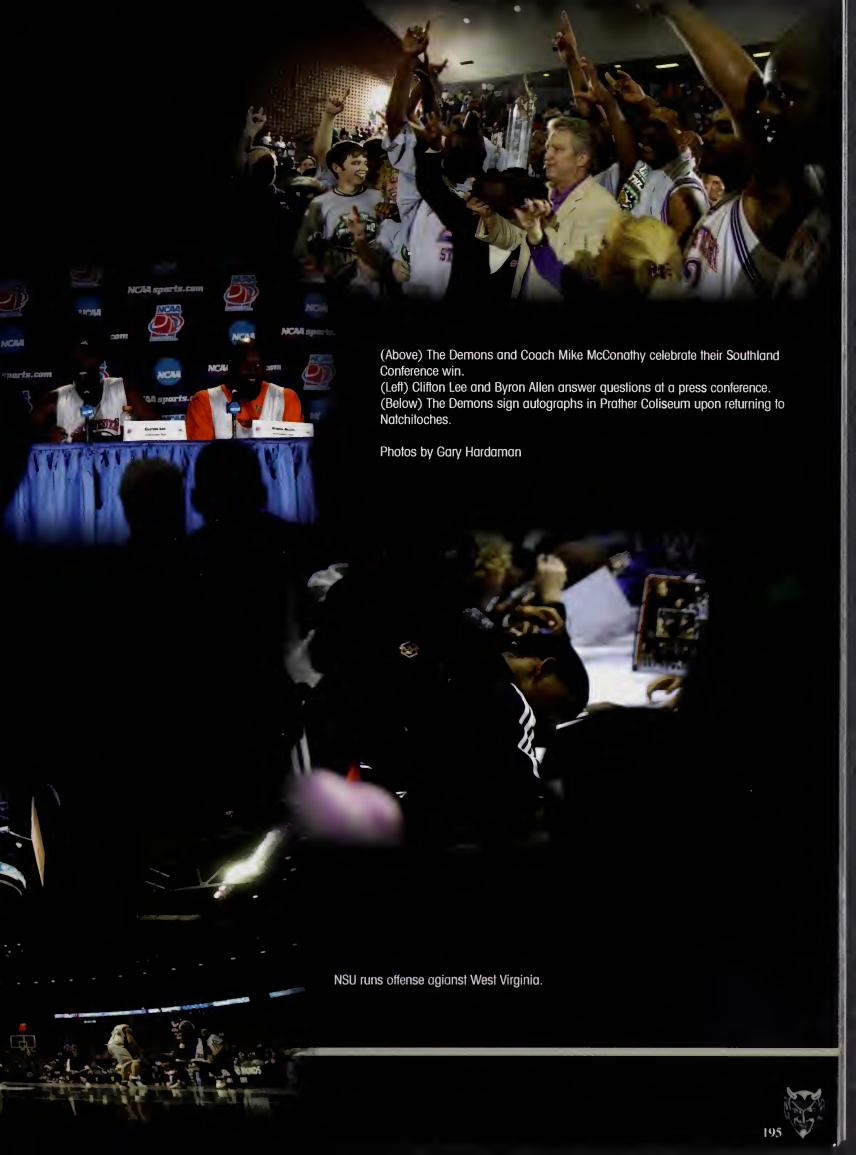
"We appreciate the fact that the student body, faculty, and staff got excited about what was happening here last season."

As for the players, the legacy they have left here at Northwestern will be something to cherish for a lifetime.

"It was a great accomplishment and that was our goal at the beginning of the year," sophomore business administration major John Anglin said. "I am very proud to say that I was part of that team's legacy."

Amanda Crane







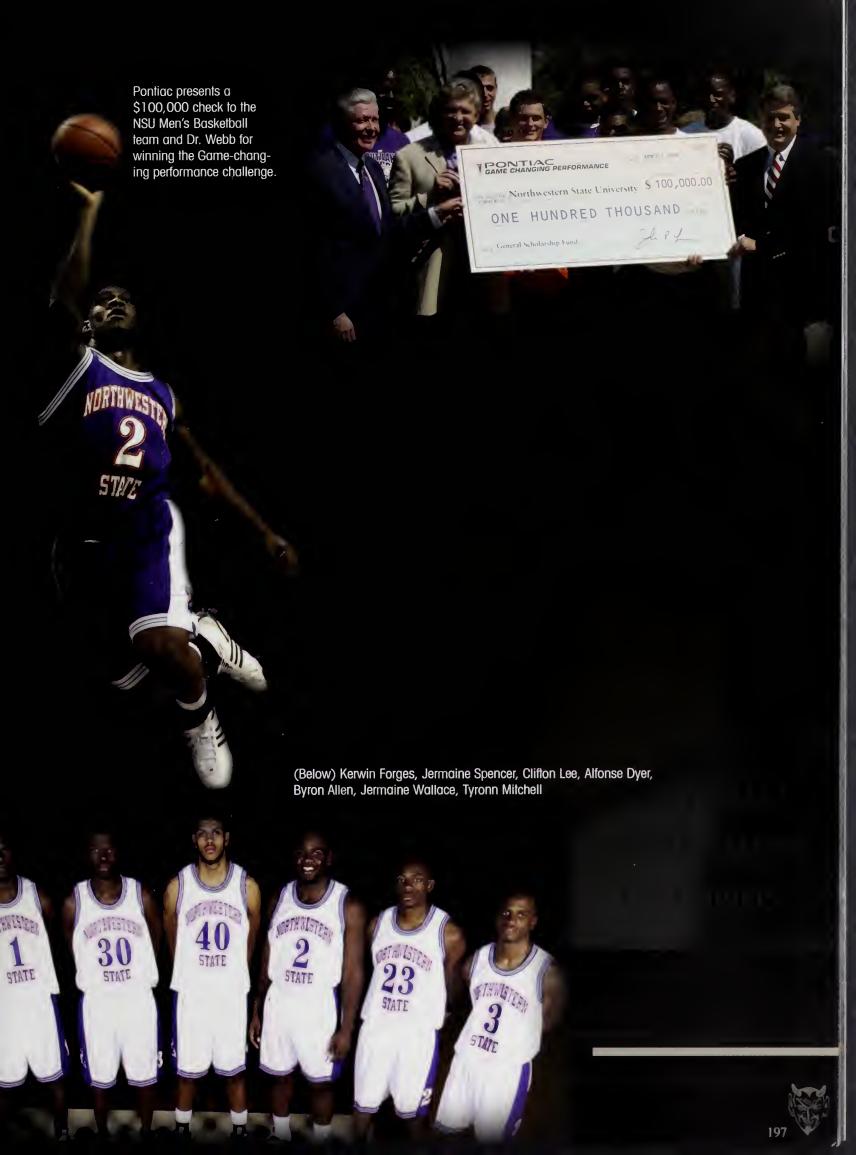
Senior guard Jermaine Wallace defends against lowa during the NCAA tournament.

Photos by Gary Hardaman

Clifton Lee shows his demon pride.







WOMEN'S

(Right) The Lady Demons are always hungry for action.
(Below) Shenise Milliner reaches for the ball.

Photos by Gary Hardaman



(Left to right)Shenise Milliner, Sheronda Bell, Dorothy Knox, Natasha Isom, Tena Matthews, Chassidy Jones, Clark, Akilah Givens, Kristen Davis, LaTonya Perry



BASKETBALL

2005-2006 SEASON



*Texas-San Antonio 69 NSU 58

*Texas State 88 NSU 79

*McNeese 72 NSU 51

*Lamar 66 NSU 62

Southeastern La. 46 NSU 45

*NSU 83 Nicholls State 66

*ULM 64 NSU 1

Texas-Arlington 83 NSU 43

*Stephen F. Austin 85 NSU 69

*Sam Houston State 75 NSU 69

*Texas State 76 NSU 71

*Texas-San Antonio 73 NSU 65

*NSU 78 Sam Houston State 60

*NSU 67 Southeastern La. 53

*NSU 58 Louisiana-Monroe 54

*Texas-Arlington 71 NSU 49

North Texas 72 NSU 59

NSU 72 Eastern Washington 61

NSU 91 LSU-Shreveport 57

NSU 72 Southern Arkansas 70

Nevada 79 NSU 59

Gonzaga 92 NSU 68

NSU 78 Centenary 56

NSU 85 Southern Miss 75

NSU 72 Alcorn State 64

NSU 84 Texas A&M-Commerce 74

Southern University 67 NSU 56

Home Games Bold, * Southland Confernce Games

The Northwestern State women's basketball team had a rollercoaster season.

Six freshman and four seniors made an exciting mix of youth and maturity for the Lady Demons.

Although the season was cut short, it had bright moments. Head Coach Jennifer Graf led the Lady Demons to their 600th win of all-time becoming just the 37th team in NCAA women's basketball history to do so after beating Nicholls State 83-66 on February 16.

The season ended on a sour note as the Lady Demons failed to make the Southland Conference postseason tournament for the third time in the history. The team finished the season with a disappointing 11-16 and 4-12 in SLC play.

Sheronda Bell was named was named to the 2005-2006 All- SLC women's basketball second team while teammate Chassidy Jones was named to the

honorable mention team.

The Lady
Demons said
goodbye to four
seniors: Sheronda
Bell, LaTonya Perry,
Shenise Milliner and
Kristen Davis, who
helped the team to
69 wins, a league

championship and a 2003-2004 NCAA tournament victory.

Graf said, "We feel that our players have gained valuable experience from this season and are ready to face the next season with a fierce, competitive desire to win."

Kristi George

Guard Tina Matthews delivers a layup.



Guard, Natasha Isom, dominates the opposition, Texas State.









Head Coach Jennifer Graf instructs the Lady Demons.

Photos by Gary Hardaman

DEMON

2005 SEASON

^Nicholls State 4 NSU 0 ^Texas State 3 NSU 1

*NSU 4 Sam Houston St. 1

*Sam Houston St. 3 NSU 2

*NSU 4 Sam Houston St 0

NSU 8 Northern Colorado 2

*NSU 3 Southeastern 0

*NSU 9 Southeastern1

*NSU 3 Southeastern 0

Centenary 7 NSU 3

NSU 8 Southern University 0

*NSU 5 McNeese State 0

*NSU 5 McNeese State 1

*McNeese State 6 NSU 5

Baylor 5 NSU 0

*Texas State 3 NSU 0

*Texas State 2 NSU 1

*Texas State 6 NSU 0

NSU 5 Centenary 0

*Louisiana Monroe 3 NSU 2

*NSU 5 Louisiana Monroe 4

*Louisiana Monroe 8 NSU 0

NSU 16 Grambling State 0

NSU 16 Grambling State 1

*Nicholls 11 NSU 1

*Nicholls 7 NSU 6

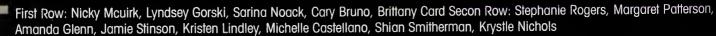
*NSU 6 Nicholls 5

LSU 6 NSU 0

LSU 3 NSU 0

NSU 7 Southern University 1







SOFTBALL



*NSU 5 Texas-Arlington 4
NSU 9 Louisiana Tech 5

*Texas-San Antonio 6 NSU 2

*Texas-San Antonio 5 NSU 1

*Texas-San Antonio 2 NSU 1

Louisiana-Lafayette 14 NSU 0 Louisiana-Lafayette 6 NSU 0

NSU 6 Jacksonville State 4 Jacksonville State 6 NSU 1

Arkansas 3 NSU 1

Arkansas 7 NSU 0

NSU 4 Centenary 2

Centenary 4 NSU 1

*NSU 6 Stephen F. Austin 5

*Stephen F. Austin 7 NSU 6

*NSU 9 Stephen F. Austin 1

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NSU 6 Alcorn State 2

Mississippi State 5 NSU 2

NSU 5 Alcorn State 3

Baylor 3 NSU 2

Houston 4 NSU 2

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NSU 11 Louisiana Tech 1

LSU 6 NSU 1

*Stephen F. Austin 5 NSU 2

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NSU 15 Arkansas-Pine Bluff 1

Home Games Bold, * Southland Conference Games, ^SLC Tournament

and, Amanda Perdue, Marysa Stults, Shira Walker, Mallorie Thornton, Erica Hargis Third Row: Becky McMurty, Kelly Corlis, Jessica Thompson, 🔳



Demon Softball players show support for their teammates.

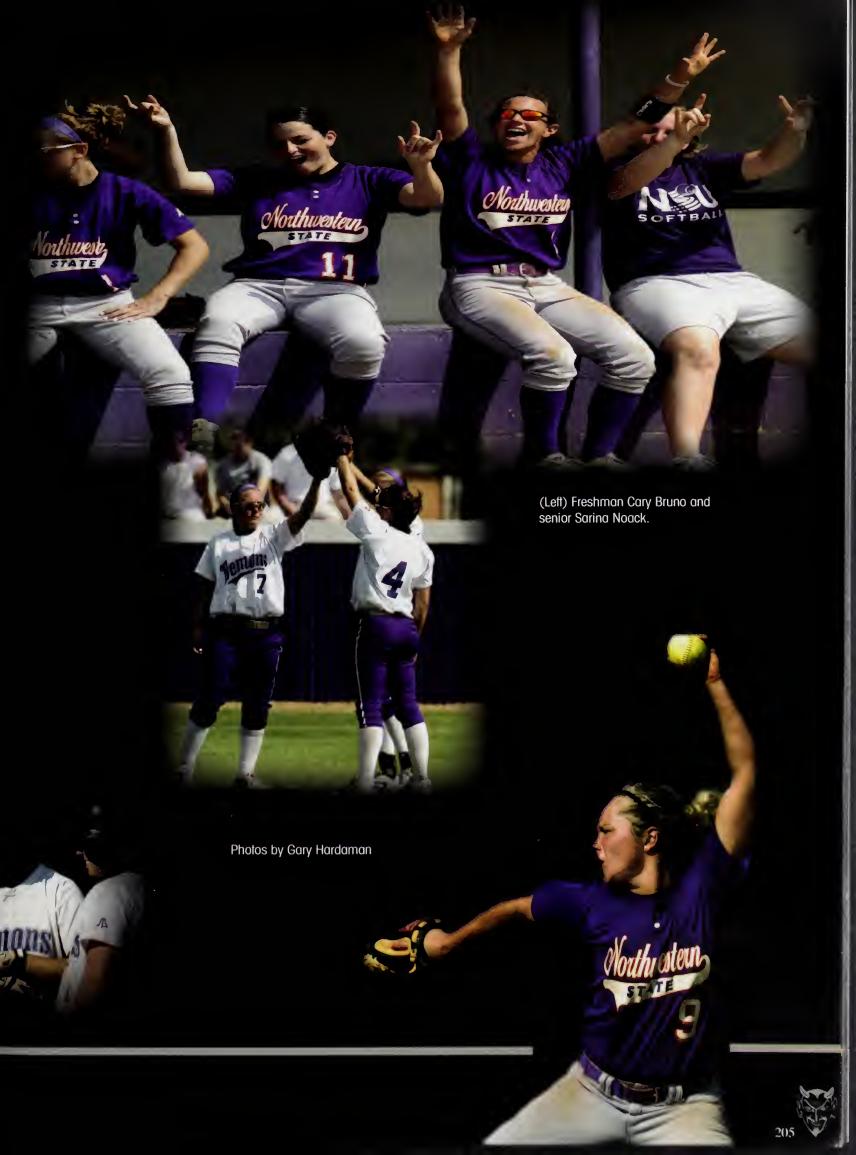


(Below) Junior Amanda Glenn pitches the ball with force.



Interim Head Coach, Becky McMurtry offers encouragement to the team.





DEMON

2005 SEASON

^Texas-Arlington 8 NSU 2
^NSU 11 Lamar University 1
^NSU 9 Texas State 8
^Texas-San Antonio 10 NSU 0
*NSU 9 McNeese State 1

*Louisiana-Monroe 16 NSU 6

*NSU 5 Louisiana-Monroe 4

*NSU 3 Louisiana-Monroe 2

NSU 13 Louisiana-Lafayette 9

*McNeese State 9 NSU 6

*McNeese State 3 NSU 2

*McNeese State 12 NSU 1

*NSU 5 Lamar 4

*NSU 8 Lamar 7

NSU 7 Louisiana-Lafayette 2

*NSU 8 Nicholls State 2

*NSU 5 Nicholls State 4

*NSU 3 Nicholls State 1

Tulane Green Wave 8 NSU 2

*Southeastern La. 3 NSU 2

*NSU 12 Southeaster La. 7

*NSU 10 Southeastern La. 7

NSU 13 Arkansas-Little Rock 7

*NSU 5 Stephen F. Austin 2

*NSU 4 Stephen F. Austin 3

*Stephen F. Austin 3 NSU 2

LSU 12 NSU 0

*NSU 4 Texas State 3

*Texas State 15 NSU 2

*Texas State 5 NSU 0



First Row: Taylor Keith, Klent Mullkin, Clayton McNatt, Justin Oneal, Kyle Broughton, Tyler Cestia, Danny ChoateB.J. Myers, Issac Colbert Second R Derosa, Chase Lyles, Jimmy Heard, Ben Rodriguez, Nathan Copeland, Jeff McCannon, Philip Milliner, Brett Guillory Third Row: Brandon Morgan, S Michael Palermo, Chris Salem Fourth Row: Philip Ledet, Christian Pritchet, Phillip St. Jean Louis, Miles Durham, Mike Jawroski, Frasier Robinson,

BASEBALL



Louisiana-Lafayette 3 NSU 1

Dallas Baptist University 9 NSU 5 Dallas Baptist University 10 NSU 4

NSU 7 Louisiana-Lafayette 5

*NSU 6 Texas-San Antonio 1

*Texas-San Antonio 6 NSU 3

*Texas-San Antonio 4 NSU 3

*Sam Houston State 7 NSU 3

*Sam Houston State 9 NSU 6

*NSU 5 Sam Houston State 2

NSU 11 Grambling State 2

*Texas-Arlington 6 NSU1

*Texas-Arlington 14 NSU 1

*Texas-Arlington 10 NSU 9

NSU 10 Louisiana College 7

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NSU 5 Evansville3

Hawkeyes 2 NSU 0

Arkansas-Little Rock 13 NSU 10

NSU 15 Oakland 5

NSU 4 Oakland 3

Houston 12 NSU 3

NSU 6 Centenary 3

NSU 7 Tennessee-Martin 2

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Texas A&M 4 NSU 3

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Home Games Bold, * Southland Conference Games, ^SLC Tournament

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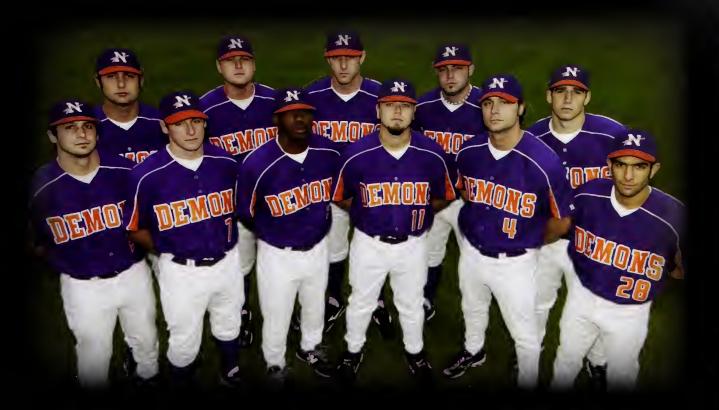




(Bellow) Morgan dove for the catch.

Photo by Gary Hardaman





(Above) Demon Baseball Seniors; Rusty Jones, Daniel Lonsberry, Dwayne Hall, Hunter Thoms, Philip Miller, Blake Jones, Daniel Desclouds, Shawn Johnston, Russell Dorton

Dereck Cloeren, concentrating on striking out the opposition, throws one right down the middle.

Photo by Gary Hardaman



NSU Cheerleaders



(Front row) Shaquana Williams, Nush Bureau, Afton Brunett, Amanda Rachal (Second row) Brandie Morgan, Grant Gunstream, Stephanie Farish, Randy Collins, Jenni McFearin, Shane Moser, Desiree Mariotti, Daveon Blacksire, Angela Bowman, Davy Ammons

The NSU cheerleading squad underwent multiple changes in the last year, but it is looking forward to a great year in preparation for the national competition.

The squad was originally co-ed, and added an all girl squad in the fall of 2005. This year, the all-girl squad has been eliminated and only the co-ed squad remains.

Steven Woods, an NSU recruiter and cheerleading coach, said that as much as the two squads were wanted for community and campus involvement, there was not enough time to maintain both squads.

"It just didn't work out how we planned it. It was too hard to practice every night with two groups," Woods said.

According to Woods, who took on the position as coach in midway of the spring semester of 2006, the all-girl squad started with 16 members, and the co-ed had 14 members. Woods said that there are currently 16 members on the co-ed squad consisting of six males, and 10 females.

Angela "Nessie" Bowman, senior criminal justice major, captain of the cheerleaders and 4-year member, said that this past summer they attended cheer camp and placed first in all events. Awards that the cheerleaders took home were first place in most collegiate, first in fight song competition, and first in cheer competition. Most importantly, "We got a bid to Nationals," Bowman said.

Randy Collins, sophomore biology major and second year squad members said that while it can be frustrating to work so hard all of the time, the majority of the time they have a cohesive bond.

"All of our personalities come together and we are like one, big happy family," Collins said.

Woods said the squad is planning on being heavily involved with athletics, including football, volleyball, soccer, basketball and possibly track.

Woods, Collins and Bowman all agree that Nationals, which will take place in

Daytona Beach, Fla., in March 2007, is the squad's main <u>focus</u>.

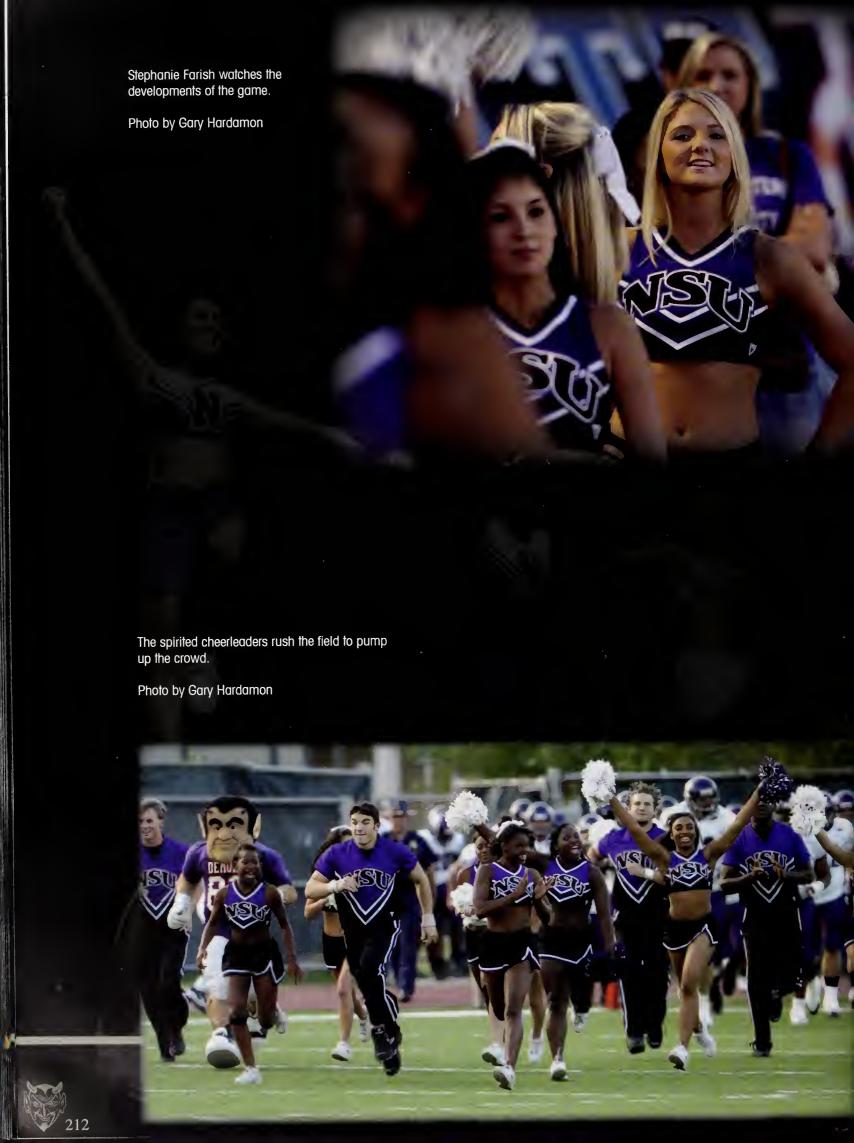
"This year, we are most looking forward to going to Nationals," Bowman said. "We practice more in the mornings now as well as at night. We make sure that everybody stays focused, has fun, and we do what needs to get done."

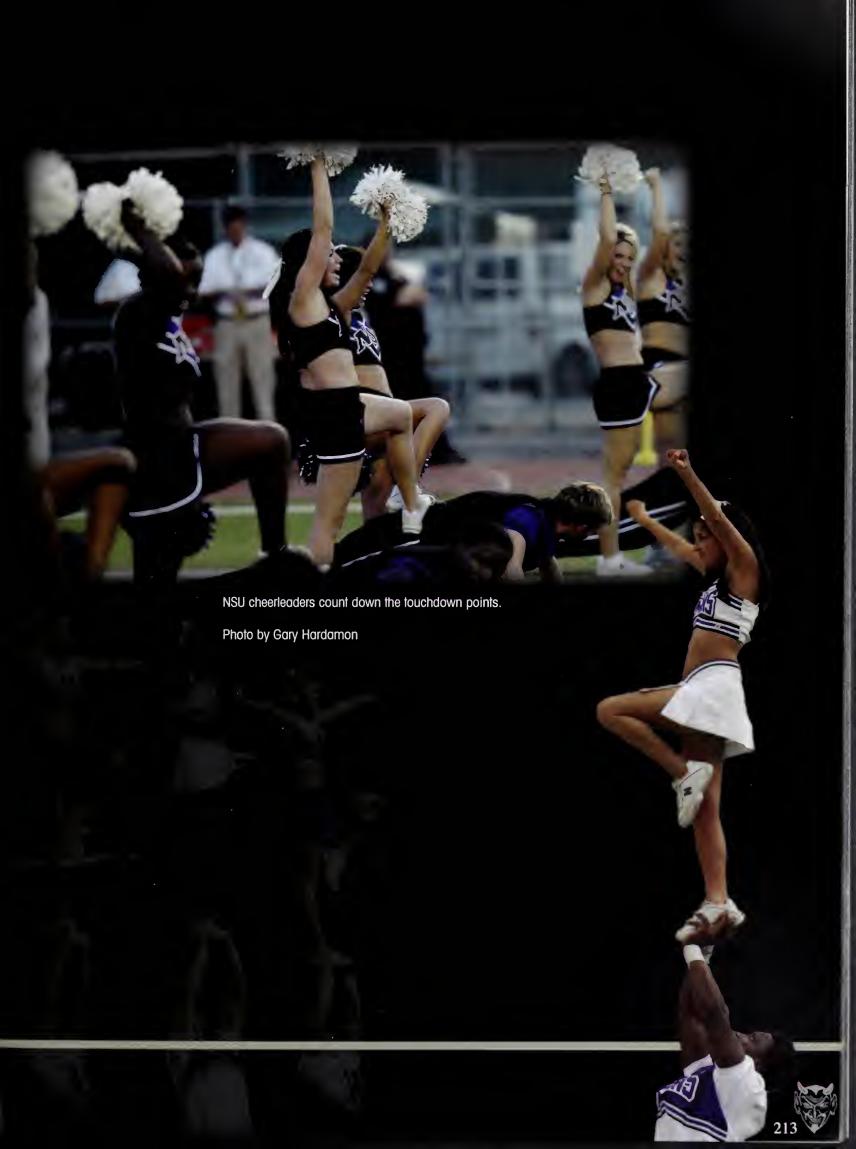
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(Right) NSU cheerleaders salute the football team from the sidelines

Photo by Gary Hardamon







Demon Dazzlers



(First row) Lynda Hammett, Lacey Cloud, Corina Hardwood, Jessica Gajeski, Cayla Porche, Kimberly Wheeler (Second row) Emily Perse, Allie Martin, Brandi Guillory, Christon Lacour, Kelsey Trautman



(Left) Brandi Guillory performs during a halftime show.(Below) Emily Perse poses during pregame.

Photos by Gary Hardomon





Demon Dazzlers are finding ways to leave their mark on NSU.

"This is the first year we have become a recognized student organization as $D\Phi D$ and our first bid to go to the national dance competition," senior psychology major and team captain Corina Harwood said.

"We spend so much time together and do service for the school," Harwood said. "Now people can't say D Φ D is fake."

Another change the Demon Dazzlers face is performing only at football games and not basketball games. This will leave plenty of time to practice for the National Dance Association Collegiate Competition in April at Daytona Beach, Fla.

"Knowing we are the first Demon Dazzler team to get a bid to nationals is awesome," freshman hospitality management and tourism major Kelsey Trautman said. "In years to come it will be neat to look back and know I was a part of that."

According to Coach Abe Anthony one goal for this season was to get a bid to nationals.

"The girls practice five times a week two hours a day and have two morning conditioning sessions a week," Anthony said.

"I love being a Dazzler," Trautman said. "The girls are great and we are like one big family. We put a lot of hard work into our shows, and it pays off."

Because the girls spend so much time together on and off the field important bonds have been made.

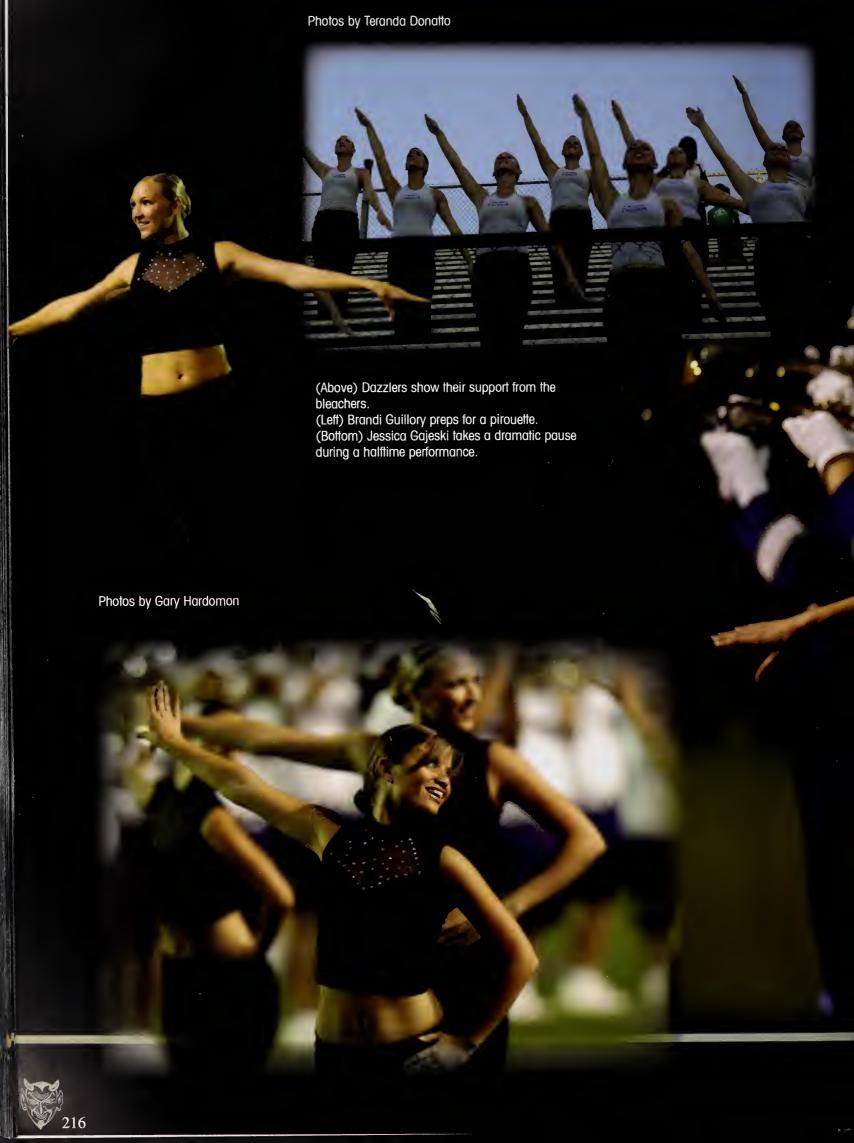
"My favorite part of being a Dazzler is the friendships I have formed," Harwood said. "I also love being apart of the school spirit."

Lela Coker

(Above) Demon Dazzlers and former Dazzlers perform pregame for the crowd.

(Left) Lacy Cloud gives the traditional fork' em demon salute.

Photos by Gary Hardamon



Allie Martin exhibits her graceful dancing techniques during a halftime show.

Photo by Gary Hardamon



Purple Pizzazz

The Purple Pizzazz Pom Pon Line brought tremendous excitement and spirit to Demon basketball games. "I love dancing in the stands at the games," junior criminal justice major Cherie Williams said. "We cheer on the team. When we are not there, they ask for us to come. It makes me feel like we count."

This is the first year the Purple Pizzazz Pom Pon line and the Demon Dazzlers have specific domains.

Demon Dazzler's perform along side the Spirit of Northwestern Band at football games while the Pom Pon line cheers and performs at basketball games.

"We wanted an avenue for each squad," coach Abe Anthony said. "We are the only school in the state with two dance lines. We wanted each group to have a purpose."

The Pom Line mix both cheer and dance to have a style that is all their own.

"Pom Pon Line is a combination of cheer and dance," Anthony said. "It makes it exciting and challenging. They have the best of both worlds by performing both."

The line practiced three times a week during the fall semester and four times a week during the spring semester. The girls spent time conditioning and learning routines.

"I really looked forward to dancing at the basketball games," sophomore hospitality management and tourism major Laura Downes said. "I love dancing and performing. It is fun to watch the crowd's reaction to the performance."



Lela Coker

Cherie Williams and Cherie' Primes perform with style at halftime during a basketball game.

Photo by Gary Hardamon

Pom Pon line

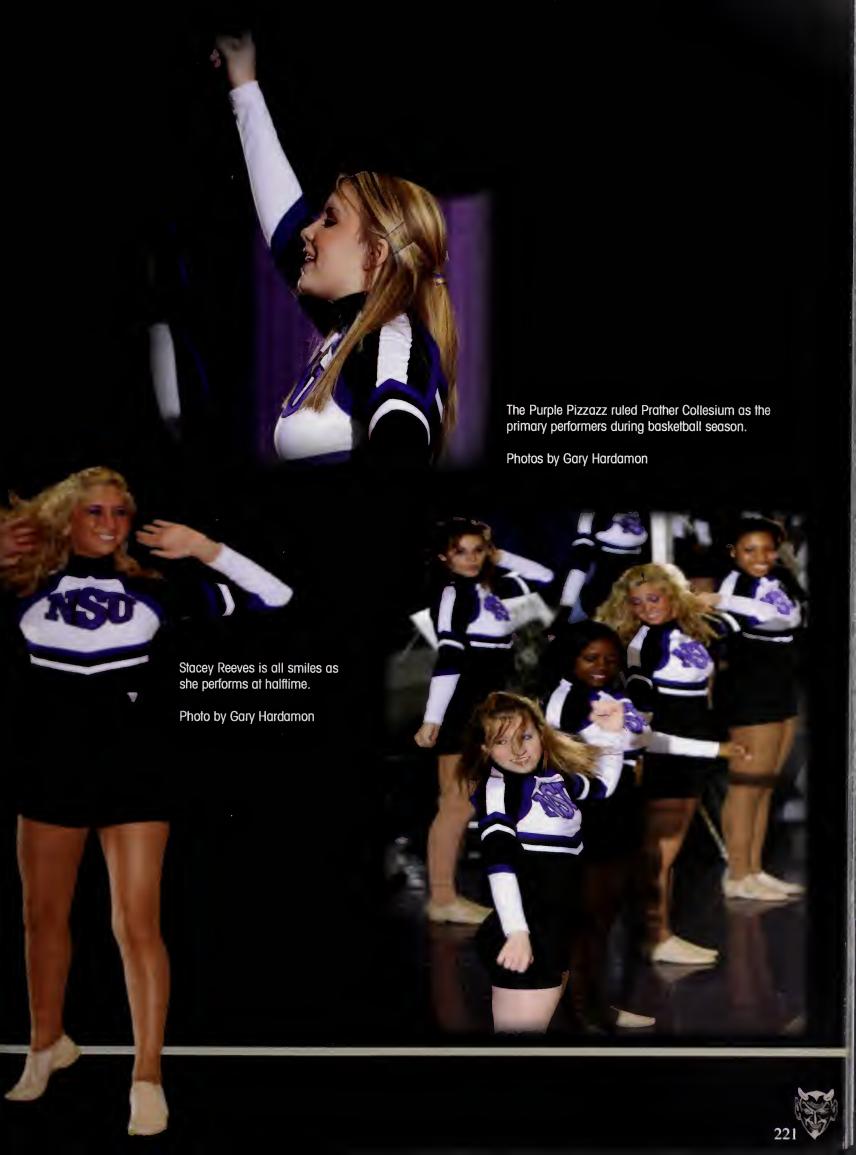


(Front row) Tiffany Harris, Brittney Dixon, Cherie Williams (Second row) Laura Downes, Ashley Gruner, Kaleigh McCord, Jessica Harold, Sarah Cramer, Lindsey Danielle (Third row) Colby Bell, Stacey Reaves, Jocyln Griffin, Rebecca Edwards, Rebecca Eskew, Cherie' Primes, Akilah Givens



Purple Pizzaz combines cheerleading and dance to form a style all their own.

Photo by Gary Hardamon



LADY DEMON

2005-2006 SEASON

NSU 3 UL 2

Arkansas St 3 NSU 0

Missouri 3 NSU 0

NSU 3 UMKC 2

Tech 3 NSU 1

NSU 3 UL Monroe 1

NSU 3 Alcorn St 0

NSU 3 Centenary 0

Alabana-Birmingham 3 NSU 1

McNeese 3 NSU 1

Lamar 3 NSU 2

NSU 3 SLU 1

NSU 3 NICH 0

SHSU 3 NSU 1

NSU 3 UCA 0

UTSA 3 NSU 1

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UTA 3 NSU 0

NSU 3 Texas ST 2

UCA 3 NSU 1

McNeese 3 NSU 0

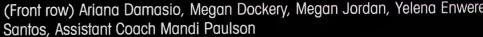
Lamar 3 NSU 0

NSU 3 Southeastern 1

NSU 3 Nicholls 1

SFA 3 NSU 0





VOLLEYBALL



Ford (Second row) Head Coach Brittany Uffelman, Whitney King, Janel Fisher, Jessica Holland, Juliana Abreu, Talita

The 2006 NSU Demon Track and Field season was an eventful one with two members breaking school records and three athletes going to the NCAA championships.

Two Lady Demon school records fell, courtesy of senior health and human performance major and pole vaulter Haley Blount and freshman psychology major and hurdler Rachel Hoffman.

Hoffman ran a 1:01.44 while finishing as the top in the women's 400-meter hurdles. That time shaved almost a half-second off the eight-year-old school record of 1:01.89 by Lakeisha Henderson. Blount broke her year-old school record in the pole vault; she cleared 11-6 1/4, improving her personal best by a centimeter.

Eight NSU Track and Field team members competed in the 2006 NCAA Mideast Regional Competition, but only three qualified to the NCAA Championships: sophomore biology major Samantha Ford, Cody Fillinich and sophomore health and human performance major Ravyn Hayward.

Ford entered the qualifying round of the javelin seeded 25th in a 27-woman field. She finished 15th, and only two feet away from being among the 12 competitors advancing to the finals, where she could have earned repeat All-America status. Fillinich, repeated as an All-American by virtue of a ninth-place finish in the men's javelin at the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships. Hayward, gave NSU a second All-American award with a 10th place finish in the 100-meter dash.

Allison Boswell



Track Seniors (Front row) Tameshia Miller, Abby Salomon, Marcus Gatlin, Marci Ward, Margeaux Fisher, Haley Blount (Second row) Cameron Waugh, Marcus Peitre, Derrion Harris

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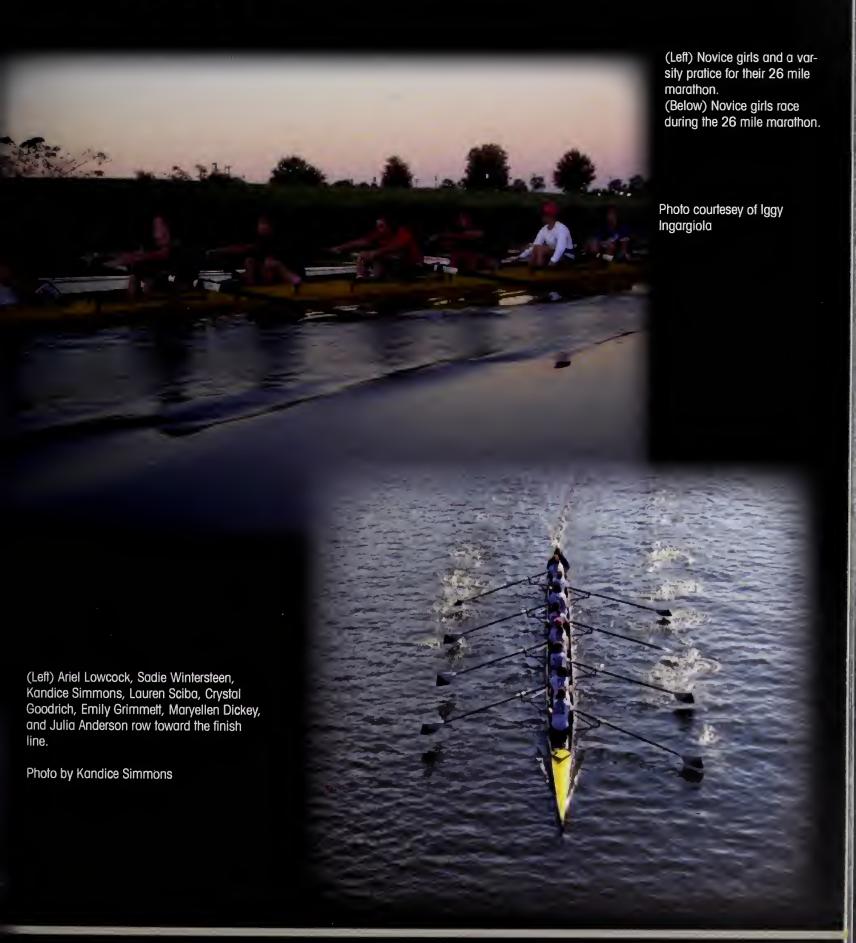


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(Above) Crew pose for a picture after winning the State Championships in New Orleans.

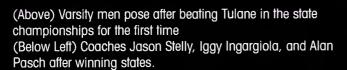
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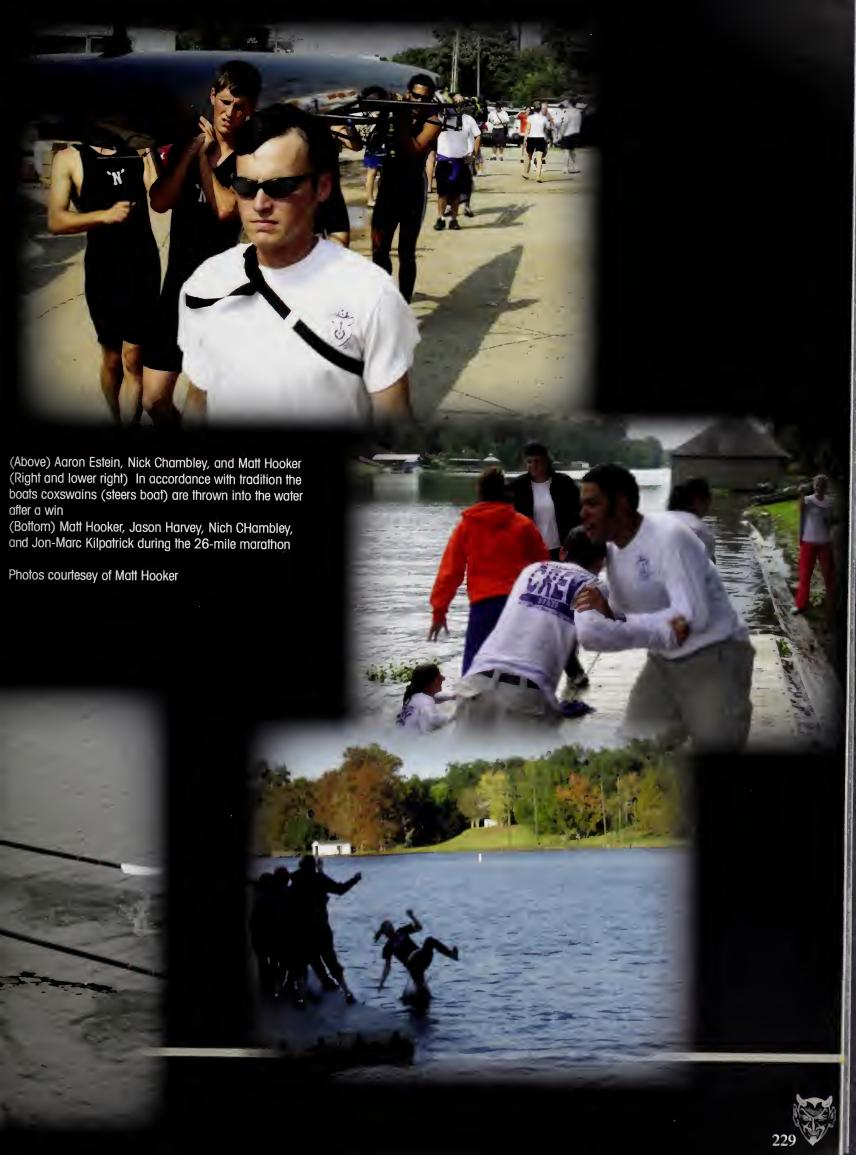




Matt Hooker, Aaron Estein, Jeanne-Louis, Clarence Chandler, Shawn Smith, Jon-Marc Kilpatrick, Nick Chambley, Jason Harvey, David Greene







TENNIS



Julie Lessiter, Magali Van Den Bergh, Marine Neveu, Cheyna Talley,Bogusia Patzer,Catalina Vilegas,Daniela Posada, Marcia Alcantara, Patric DuBois







Theatre

(Right) Senior theatre major Er Duhon and junior theatre major Mahan share the sportlight.

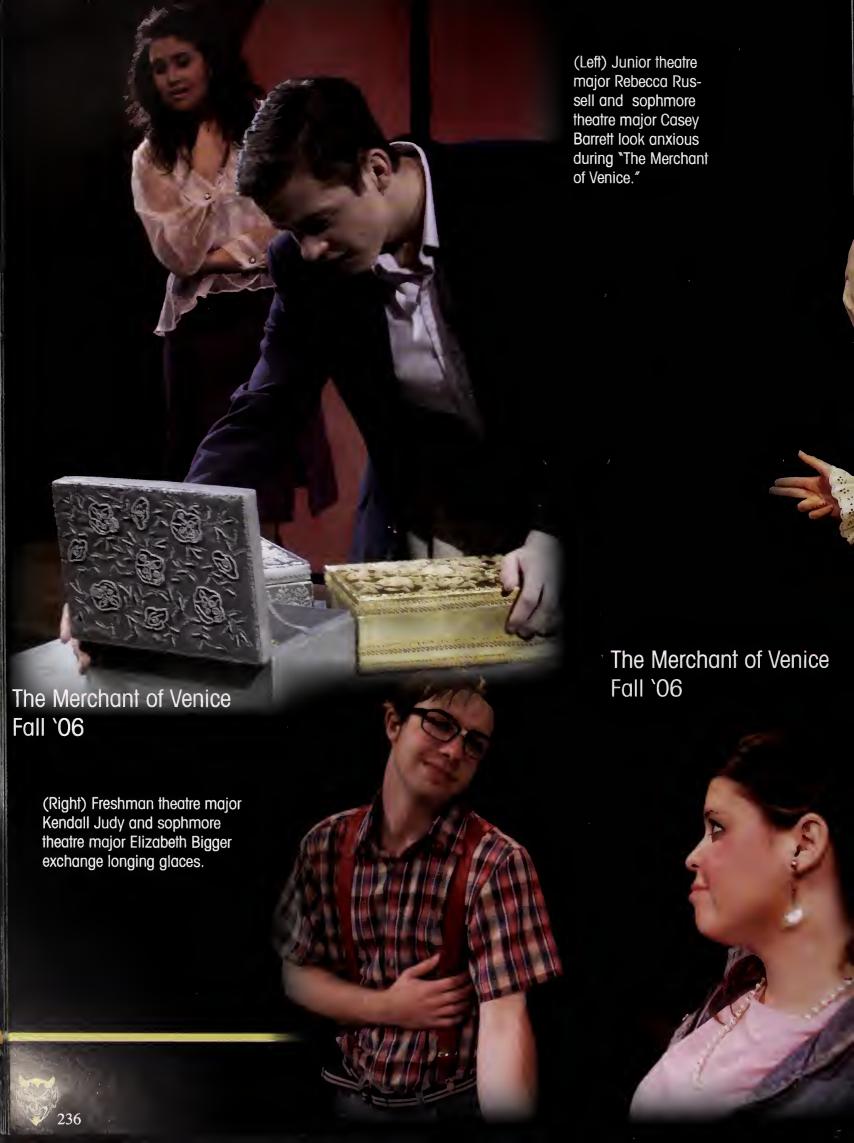


(Above) Theatre graduate Abigail Peterson, junior theatre major Rebecca Russell, sophomore theatre major Casey Barrett and senior music major Cara Waring perform in summer theatre.

(Right) Theatre graduate Robert Robinson, threatre graduate Paul Jannise, and theatre graduate Shane K. Stelley engage in a duel.

Summer '06







Being dedicated enough to serve and protect our country when called upon is the choice that some people decide to make when they join the armed services.

The Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps at NSU, are dedicated to serving our country while also taking classes in order to graduate with a degree.

This year, the NSU ROTC has a new commander. Lieutenant Colonel Leon Pennington came to NSU during the summer from Fort Rucker, Alabama, where he and his family found themselves in unfamiliar territory. LTC Pennington is also a professor of Military Science.

"My wife and I arrived a couple of weeks early so we could get to know the community before I started work," Lt. Col. Pennington said. "We really enjoyed getting to know the area."

ROTC cadets begin their day at 6 a.m. with physical training, which consists of calisthenics, sprint training and a 2 to 3 mile run. They are also required to take academic classes specifically for ROTC and a leadership lab. Cadets can be seen walking around campus and in the hallways of the academic buildings in their uniform on Thursdays, which is a tradition for the NSU ROTC .

The ROTC does more than just physical training. They supply the cannon at the home football games and are on hand to tell community members about their organization. The ROTC is involved in on-campus activities, provides service to the community in the public library, donates items to local groups, encouragement to DOVES members and visit local high schools and college fairs to promote and recruit new members.

"First of all, we do not sell the Army," Pennington said. "ROTC isn't easy, but we have found that the students who choose to become cadets stay in school and stay with the program because the benefits are immediate and tangible."

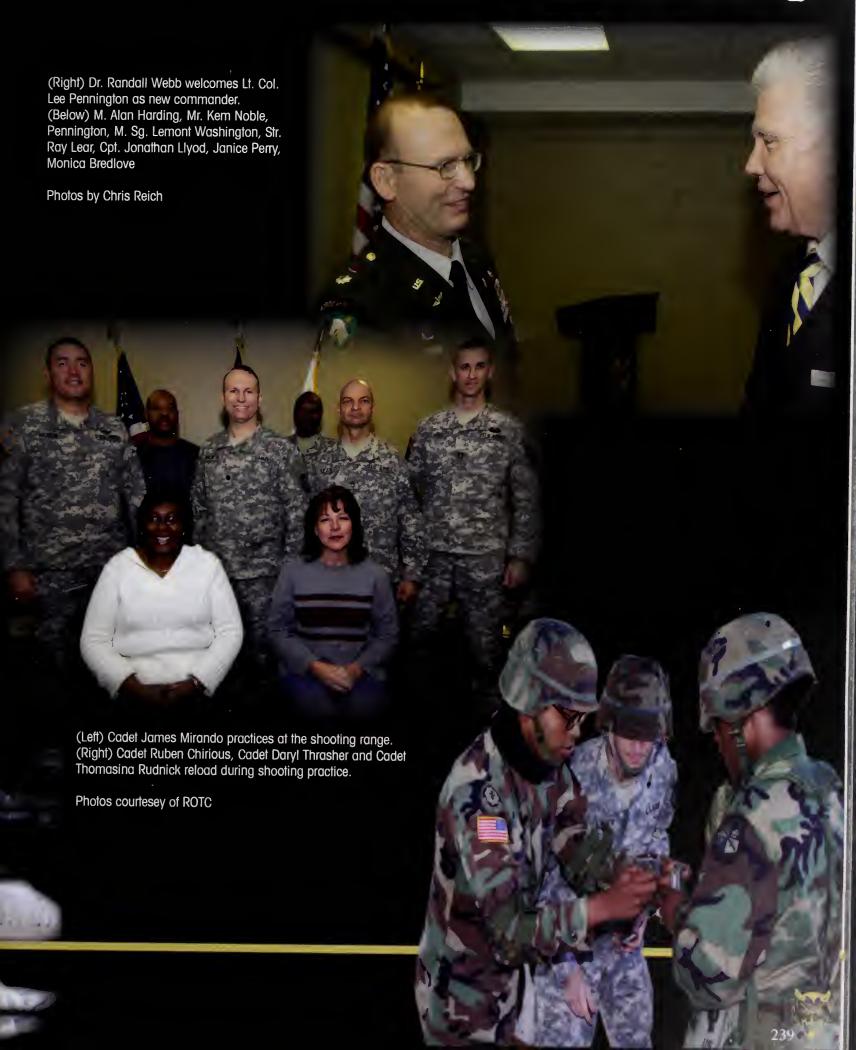
Pennington has many goals for the ROTC program. He hopes to involve the local National Guard units in training so cadets will know what type of equipment they will be using during active duty.

This year's flight training included the use of a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter. Pennington also hopes to have an on-campus ropes course set up on campus for extra training and wants to incorporate paintball training for its realistic scenarios in small unit tactic training.

"I am fortunate to have a great corps of cadets already in place and a super cadre support team," Pennington said.
"We're always working to improve our current facilities and I want to continue this effort with our NSU partners to make our ROTC battalion the best in the nation."



ROTC



With the fountain in place and the bricks lain, the Alumni Plaza was formally unveiled during Homecoming Week 2006.

Drake Owens, project manager for the alumni courtyard project, said that the project launched a year ago after receiving the OK from Dr. Webb.

Dan and Lilly Chase donated the new fountain that stands in the middle of the plaza, located in the A.A. Fredericks Center for Creative and Performing Arts. Pi Kappa Phi fraternity donated a clock that was placed in the courtyard for their 50th anniversary.

Nearly \$250,000 worth of materials, including bricks, lamp posts, benches and granite tiles were made available for purchase by friends and supporters of NSU.

The plans were to put approximately \$125,000 into the construction of the plaza and \$125,000 into the scholarship fund.

Owens said the monetary goal set for the construction of the Alumni Plaza was met, so all other donations given from August on went to the endowed scholarships for NSU students.

The purpose of the Alumni Plaza was to beautify the campus, establish a permanent tribute to NSU Alumni, students, leaders and friends and help generate funds for the Alumni Plaza Scholarship.

Chris Maggio, director of alumni and development said Bill Brent, director of creative and performing arts, and Chris Sampite, director of the physical plant, deserve a lot of credit for wanting to beautify the Fredericks Arts Center area.

The idea began small, involving just the creative and performing arts students and their alumni before progressing into the large project it is today.

"Bill Brent is the one who approached me with this idea," Maggio said. "He deserves a lot of credit."

Katie Lopez



Alumni Plaza Building a Legacy





THE LEGEN CHIEF CAD

If you have no idea what the giant chunk of wood carved like an Indian chief is in NSU's Fieldhouse, raise your hand.

Shame on you.

Chief Caddo, the 7-foot 6 -inch, 320-pound sports trophy shared by NSU and Stephen F. Austin has been a rivalry staple between the two universities since 1961. He is the nation's largest football trophy, carved from a one-ton, black gum log delivered by SFA after their 35-19 loss in the 1961 game.

The two schools made a deal: that a statue of a legendary Indian chief who fathered the two founders of Nacogdoches and Natchitoches would be carved as a trophy, with the losing team delivering the materials from a forest near their campus and the winner having the log carved. NSU hired the wood carver Harold Green, a native of Logansport, to carve the chief. He spent approximately 230 hours on the statue.

"The trophy serves some very useful purposes," Doug Ireland, director of Sports Information, said. "It demonstrates the bond between the two communities where the universities are located."

Due to his size and the legend - that two of his sons walked in opposite directions to establish villages and founded the two towns - media across the country have become aware of Chief Caddo, and "has provided the opportunity for both schools to gain regional and national recognition," Ireland said.

Chief Caddo has been featured in Sports Illustrated and on ESPN, and the legend is well known, representing the tradition, connection and influence of Native Americans in the area.

However, there has been some trouble having Chief Caddo. Objections to having an Indian chief as a trophy have risen occasionally, with the argument that the chief is not historically accurate and is potentially degrading to Native Americans.

In 2004, two professors at SFA created a petition to have Chief Caddo removed as the SFA trophy due to issues of political correctness. They felt it objectified Native Americans by having the trophy. However, the petition did not go through and Chief Caddo remains a point of rivalry.

"Chief Caddo was carved with the widely held belief of a typical Indian chief in 1960-61," Ireland said. "It was, at the time, a very accurate description and pays homage to natives in the country."

"The cities and schools involved in the exchange of Chief Caddo are proud of the region's Native American heritage and have always demonstrated deep respect and honor for the history, culture and customs of the Caddo Indians and other Native Americans," said David West, director of the News Bureau.

"It's (Chief Caddo) treated with a certain degree of reverence before the game," Ireland said. "It's definitely treated as a shrine - as it should be."

The myth of Chief Caddo and his sons has never been proven. However, Nacogdoches and Natchitoches are the oldest settlements in Texas and Louisiana respectively and are equal distance from Sabine River.

Lora Sheppard

'V' IS FOR VICTORY

NSU's most spirited student underwent a bit of a nip-tuck this year.

An animated Vic the Demon burst out onto the field at the football season opener against Delaware State to reveal a - well -- not so animated Vic.

Vic, short for Victory, has been attending NSU since 1984. He has spent his years pumping up crowds at games and making special appearances at countless events. So it was only natural that the busiest Demon on campus was due in for a little 'R and R'. "Its hard. It's like I'm a student athlete. I go to basketball games, football games, classes, Parents Day and do TV shows," said Vic.

Over time the stress of sporting events took its toll on Vic. "My weight fluctuates 10 pounds a game from heat and dancing. I have to drink a gallon and a half at half time just to replace my fluids," said Vic.

Vic had his 15 minutes of fame in 1992 when he and University of Louisiana-Monroe mascot, Chief Brave Spirit, threw down on the sidelines of a basketball game. "A lot of people still associate Vic with it. It is still on Spike's top 10 moments," said Vic, who is hoping that this new look may also help distance him from that reputation.

"Vic is an outstanding citizen with a demon side," he noted. There are no hard feelings though. Today Chief Brave Spirit and Vic have a special bond due the controversy and even poke fun at the incident by play fighting at games said Vic.

The new and improved Vic got off to a great start at his debut, doing his part to help NSU win its 100th game in Turpin

Andi Bass





There is no rest for the weary. Vic visits fee payment to pump up students with demon pride.

Photos by Chris Reich

Vic entertains high school students participating in All-Honors Day during a football game.



For some students, like senior electrical engineering major Reed Thomas, attending NSU bridged the gap between generations and strengthened the bond between family members.

"I grew up hearing stories from my mom and dad about how much they loved coming to school at Northwestern

so my sister and I always wanted to come," Thomas said.

Thomas' family is made up of several generations of NSU graduates. Both parents, older sister, two grandparents, cousins, two aunts, an uncle and great-aunt attended Northwestern. Some attended when NSU was still called the Normal College. They enjoy reflecting on how NSU has changed over the years.

"I think it helps with family connections," Thomas said.

Thomas' family was proud that he is continuing the family tradition by attending Northwestern. Thomas said that his parents and grandparents encouraged him to be involved while attending NSU because they were very involved during their attendance.

Events like NSU Homecoming have taken on a whole new meaning for Thomas and he hopes that someday he can continue his family's legacy.

"I really want my kids to go to Northwestern. I had such a great experience and I hope one day they will to."

Lela Coker



Homecoming court members Reed Thomas and Megan Scruggs pose for a picture.

Photo by Chris Reich

Thomas poses with his fellow Demon and family member: his sister.

Photo courtesy of the Thomas Family

Generations at MS1

Eleven of Thomas's family members, including his parents, older sister and grandparents, attended NSU.

Photo courtesy of the Thomas Family



The NSU Wellness,
Recreation, and Activity
Center offers a variety of
group fitness classes that every
member can enjoy, no matter their fitness
levels or goals.

Since the WRAC opened, a variety of classes such as mat, body toning, step and tone and high-intensity classes have been available.

Robyn House, wellness coordinator at the WRAC, is responsible for the class programming. "Group fitness classes are important. Not only do they offer stress relief, they are upbeat, fun and offer a change in routine," House said.

"Going to these classes takes the guessing game out of your workout. There is a perfect blend of cardio as well as strength training."

Yoga and Pilates are among the most popular classes offered. Yonna Pasch, Pilates instructor and assistant director of student activities and organizations, started taking Pilates often, and before long she began teaching.

"Pilates is one of the most popular classes because it is something the people hear about a lot," Pasch said.

"It is a no-impact workout that focuses on building muscles. It lengthens and strengthens." Another class that is very popular among NSU students is the kickboxing class.

"I have been coming to this class since I was a freshman," sophomore hospitality management and tourism major Temetria Smith said. "It's different every time. It's fun and you learn to kick somebody's butt."

Other classes offered are the Baby-Boomer Blast that is geared toward older patrons and mixes low-impact cardio with low-weight resistance training. Cardio Ball Blast is a creative way to add to regular cardio training, and "really makes you focus on what muscles you are working" House said.

The Low Impact Step and Tone is a more traditional class that offers low-impact workouts and light-intensity choreography. The newest addition to the classes offered at the WRAC is the NIA class. "NIA stands for neuromuscular integrative \action. This is a mix of modern dance, jazz, yoga and martial arts. It is very big in New York, Chicago and California," House said.

House said that most students attend the classes offered between 5 and 8 p.m. because of their class schedules. "We have a nice blend of community that attend the classes. Alumni patrons and students all participate. Fewer males attend group exercises, but I am hoping that their idea of group fitness will change in time," House said.

Claire Mayeux

LET'S GET

PHISICAL

(Right) Student squat and jab during a kick boxing class at the WRAC.

(Below) Pilates lengthens, tones and strengthens the bodies of students and WRAC patrons alike.

Photos by Teranda Donatto











Kristin Shoemaker, psychology major, walked the stage in May 2006 in Prather Coliseum with diploma in hand. Shoemaker completed the first entirely on-line degree in NSU's history.

Photo by Cheryl Thompson

Students log on in campus computer labs to complete assignments and take tests. Online classes allow students to work at their own paces.



In May of 2006 Northwestern State University had its first student to graduate with an entire online degree. Kristin Shoemaker, a resident of Indiana, graduated by attaining her bachelor's degree in psychology in three years through eNSU. Though Shoemaker had never stepped foot on campus until the week of her graduation, she had completed all the expected courses in her field and been selected for the deans and president's lists.

Online classes have been offered at NSU since the 1980's. Now electronic NSU, or eNSU, offers degree courses such as degrees in criminal justice, general studies, Bachelor of Arts to B.S. in Nursing, and Master of Arts in art just to name a few.

Darlene Williams, director for the Office of Electronic and Continuing Education, said that it is difficult to determine eNSU's most popular degree plan because all are significant. She also said that "meeting the needs of different students" is something that online classes offer. They offer an associate, bachelor's and master's degree and students don't have to pay out-of-state fees.

"It is something for all," Williams said.

"Flexibility and convenience are probably two advantages that are most commonly associated with online learning. The value of experience through interaction is also advantageous as well as the commitment of the student," Williams explains.

Ebony Price junior, Family and Consumer Science major, enrolled in an online class in the fall 2006 semester and has also taken one previously. "They were easy and to the point. I learned what I think I needed to learn," Price said.

An advantage of online classes for Price is that "you can get the work done on your time, but of course you have due dates." While she says that a disadvantage is that "some things can be explained a lot better in class. And you may forget about some assignments because you're not meeting in a classroom all the time."

"In the light of the way things are today it is hard to associate disadvantages because we're focused on the advantages," Williams said. She later goes on to state that online classes "don't have interaction to sit face-to-face" but "online may be extended longer than 15 minutes. Ours may be days or weeks so a disadvantage can be turned into an advantage. It depends on the needs of students based on the type of learning they choose. For Kristen, attending NSU wasn't an option, we made that possible for her."

For students who have never taken an online class Williams suggests students contact the Office of Electronic and Continuing Education, ask questions and review information or visit the Web site, which has an online assessment to see if online classes are right for them. The assessment is up 24/7 for students' convenience.

This semester NSU has approximately 4300 students enrolled in at least one online course. The use of technology for education is important for students on and off campus.

Ashley Lewis



HARDCORE ON THE HARD-COURT

Painted bodies, tailgate parties and losing your voice for the sake of your team is all part of being a Prather Punk.

You can hear the screams from the sideline as The Purple Haze, NSU's basketball pep band, prepares to welcome the players into the coliseum with the Demon's fight song.

The players are all smiles as they look courtside and see the familiar faces of the guys and girls that have been at every game, giving just as much as they have.

The Punks were founded two years ago by a few members of the NSU Spirit of Northwestern marching band. One of the founding fathers, graduate student Dusty Pigg, said that it was something they felt they needed to do.

The players and coaches alike developed an unbreakable bond with the Punks. President of the Punks and senior music education major, Alan Brawdy, said the best part of last season was the interaction with the team and knowing the Punks were appreciated. When asked about NSU's head basketball coach, McConathy, Brawdy simply stated, "He loves us."

The Punks are approximately 30 members strong and looking to grow. Most of the current members are involved in marching band as well as pep band and cannot support the team like they want to. They are hoping to get more of the student body involved so that the Punks are able to show their spirit even when the members of the marching band are unable to attend said Brawdy.

The Prather Punks, as well as The Purple Haze, are fired up and ready for many seasons to come. The team hopes to once again feed off the energy of the craziest fans in the land and lead NSU to another great season.

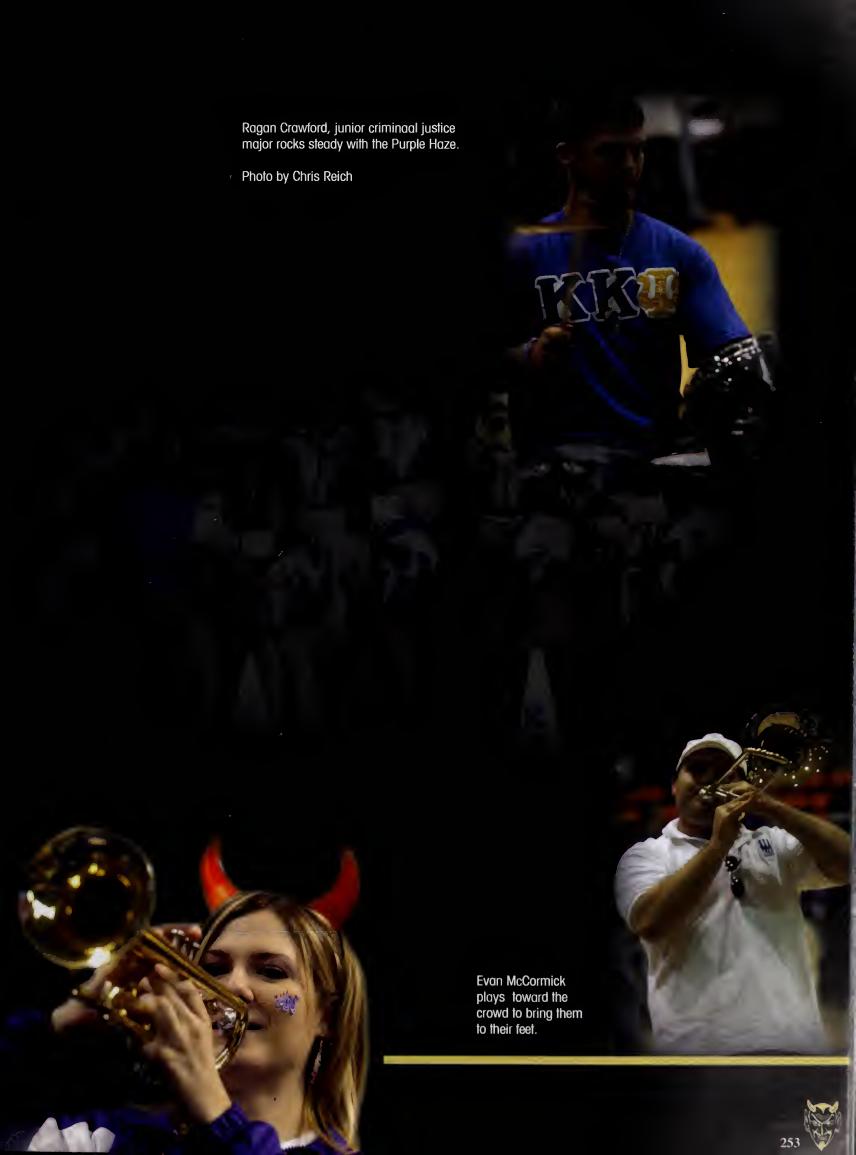
Trace Hester



(Left) Painted purple and white, the Punks show their pride and support for the Demons.

(Right) Angelle Doucet, member of the Purple Haze, blasts the fight song.

Photos by Gary Hardaman



INTERNSHIPS



Shantel Wempren, senior HMT major, studies for her internship with Chili's Bar and Grill. Her duties include understanding every position in the restaurant and passing required tests.



Cruise ships, the Four Seasons Hotel, television stations and newspapers are just a few of the internships students get to participate in every year.

"We prefer the word 'field experiences'," Pat Pierson, department head of Family and Consumer Science, said. "The students are out there getting the experience they need in the real world."

All students majoring in Family and Consumer Science must complete a 360-hour, 12-credit-hour internship.

Before enrolling in the course students have to secure their internship, get approval from their advisor, acquire an agreement form for the internship and have the business, advisor, themself, department head and dean of the college to sign the agreement before the student is able to enroll in the co-

sign the agreement before the student is able to enroll in the course, Pierson said.

When students start their field experience they send in weekly summaries to their advisers of the hours they worked.

Students also had to complete a series of journal article summaries to keep abreast of current issues in their field of study, Pierson said. "This all goes in their portfolio."

The Department of Journalism is another major that requires internships of their students.

Students are required to complete 150 hours, three credit hours of an internship.

Mary Brocato, assistant professor of journalism and internship advisor, said students have been everywhere from New York City to Dallas. They have interned with MTV news, Primetime, American Press and more.

One NSU alumna did her internship with Good Morning America in New York City. She has maintained ties with them, Brocato said. She now works for KTBS channel 3 in Shreveport.

Brocato said internships give students the opportunity to learn on the job experience and they are great for networking and getting to know professional.

"Internships are a way for students to get out of the shelter of NSU and experience the real world."

Katie Lopez



All students in the FCS Department are required to complete a rigorous 360-hour internship.

Aviation Science: it's more than just crop dusters.

The aviation science program at NSU was first developed in the 1970s and has steadily grown to include flight simulators, a computer lab, and multi-media technology for the students to train with.

However, students don't stay grounded in the simulators for long. Mike

Mariande, an aviation science student, said students are put in the pilots seat as soon as possible. "It's like

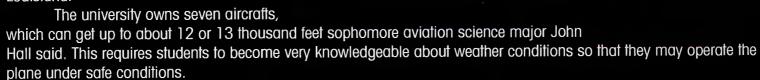
a lab whenever you sign up to

fly. You jump in there and

start flying," he said.

Students
begin with short
flights around
Natchitoches, but
are allowed to venture
further with experience.

"You actually get to choose where you get to go," Mariande said. "Some people fly all the way to Memphis, Tenn., but most stay in Louisiana."



Students are required to pay costs in addition to regular university tuition. These costs range from slightly more than \$2,000 for flight instructor-airplane certification to slightly less than \$10,000 for a commercial pilot certification.

Once students, like Hall, have their private pilot's licenses they can fly both solo and with passengers, but not for hire. He is planning to do some of that this winter.

"You can see all the city lights. I can't wait to fly out at Christmas Fest," said Hall.

Andi Bass

John Hall, sophomore aviation science major, practices his aviation skills in the simulator.









Aviation Science



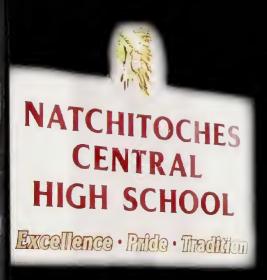
Hall gains hands-on experience by spending time in the plane on the ground and the air.





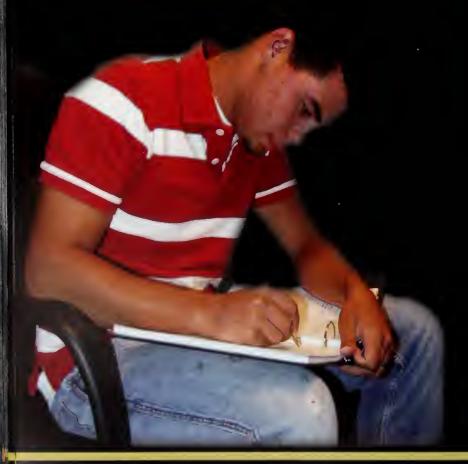
THERE'S NO

PLACE



Severin studies for his classes in his spare time.

Photo by Cheryl Thompson





Nigel Severin cooks with his wife. The couple grew up and Natchitoches and decided to make NSU their permanent residence.

LIKE HOME...

For most of us college is a significant change in scenery, but not for those born and raised in Natchitoches. To them, NSU is just another part of home.

Brent Slaughter, sophomore nursing major, always knew he would attend NSU. Many of his school functions and sports related events were held at NSU, so he was familiar with the campus at a young age.

Amber Hamous, freshman biology major, felt the same way but she always thought NSU was larger. Now that she is a student at NSU, it looks smaller. Hamous lived with her mom in the house she grew up in. She decided to attend NSU to save money before transferring to University of Louisiana Monroe for a degree in pharmacy.

Hamous enjoyed staying home. She did not have to pay room and board fees like other students, nor did she have to buy groceries or do laundry.

"My mom still does everything for me. It's great!" Hamous said.

Freshman biology major, Whitney Williams, lived at home but she would like to get out of the house. Even though her parents still do a lot for her, she would like some kind of change.

"I want to move out to see how it is to live on my own." Williams said.

Slaughter has lived both at his parent's house and on his own while attending NSU. He liked living on is own better because he could go by his own schedule. He still missed home sometimes, but he could visit in only a few minutes.

Most natives of Natchitoches know what to expect from NSU. Growing up around the campus left few surprises. Hamous was interested to meet people from Northern states at NSU. She did not think that the small campus environment was comforting for some big city people.

Nigel Severin, freshman biology major, thought NSU would be easy, but college is challenging. He thought he could avoid studying, like he did in high school

"I thought it would be easier because it's smaller [than other Louisiana universities]," Severin said. "It's what people told me."

Severin enjoyed running into former classmates at random times because it was different from seeing them everyday. Slaughter said it was nice to run into old classmates he has not seen in a while.

"It's fun into younger people that I went to school with," Slaughter said.

NSU students from Natchitoches have some major advantages. They do not have to become familiar with the city and know where entertainment can be

found. They are very useful to students who are unfamiliar with the city.

"I can help people adapt to Natchitoches," Slaughter said.

Kera Simon



Defining a Decade



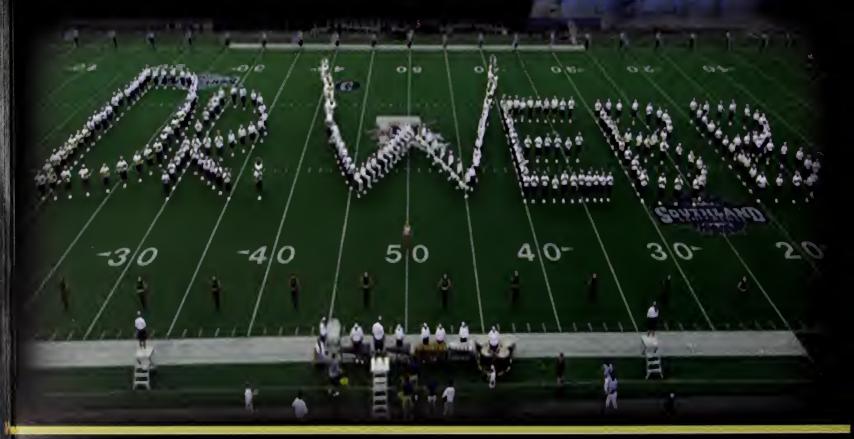
(Left) Mike Jackson, senior music education major and trumpet instructor Galindo Rodriguez jazz it up for Dr. Webb's reception at the Natchitoches Events Center.

(Below) Webb greets students during reception.

Photo by Chris Reich

(Below) The Spirit of Northwestern Demon Marching Band honors Dr. Webb by spelling out his name during the halftime performance.

Photo by Gary Hardaman



On June 30, 2006, Randall Webb celebrated his 10th complete year as NSU's president.

Webb said the school's greatest accomplishment during his decade has been the national and regional accreditation of all eligible degrees. This objective was set early in his administration and was accomplished in 2001.

"The national accreditation allows us to market the university as having excellence overall," Webb said. "The most important thing we could do is to offer our students first-rate degree programs and first-rate instruction."

The city hosted a reception on Aug. 20 at the Natchitoches Event Center.

Mayor Wayne McCullen said, "Randy will go down in history as one of the most effective presidents ever in the history of Northwestern."

McCullen praised the school's achievements under Webb, noting record attendance, higher attendance standards, the success of the school's first capital campaign and the establishment of the most extensive distance-learning program in the state.

Jimmy Long, chairman of the University of Louisiana's Board of Directors, presented a plaque during the reception to Webb, recognizing the president's 10 years in office.

Webb has connections to NSU predating the start of his administration.

"I've always said that I have been associated with Northwestern since birth," Webb said. His father, Joe Webb, was a chemistry professor at NSU.

Webb received both his bachelor's and master's degrees

at NSU before receiving his doctorate in mathematics from University of Southern Mississippi. He returned to Natchitoches in July of 1989 as the dean of instruction and graduate studies.

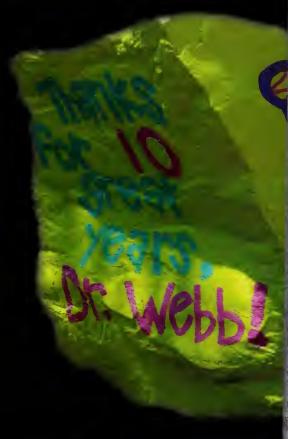
Prior to service at NSU, Webb worked as the director of institutional research at Southeastern Louisiana University for 6.5 years before becoming the registrar at Southeastern.

50 of Webb's family members have graduated from NSU, including both his daughters.

David Dinsmore

The inflatable demon was on display outside the Natchitoches Events Center during Webb's reception.

Photo by Chris Reich



NSU is home not just to those who are young at heart, but those young in age too.

NSU's campus houses two of only nine laboratory schools in Louisiana; NSU Elementary Lab School and NSU Middle Lab School.

Both schools are public, but they have some notable differences from other public schools in Louisiana. The lab schools charge tuition to help cover operating costs, and the teachers generally have a master's degree rather than just a bachelor's degree. Additionally, NSU education majors sit in on classes as part of their required observations.

Amy Verret, a senior education major, is now back in some of the same classrooms she sat in when she attended the lab school from kindergarten through the eighth grade.

"I've already observed a few times at those schools, and I was very excited to see some of my old teachers."

Verret said. "I feel very comfortable going to those classrooms because I was once a student there, and I know how everything works."

Other students, such as Justin Sims, have continued their education in the NSU family.

Sims attended both lab schools and is now a senior history major. He said that going to the lab schools did have some influence on his attending NSU.

The first day of college he quickly realized the benefits of going to school on the NSU campus since the fourth grade.

"The first day of class I knew where to go. I already knew where everything was," Sims said.

Verret agreed. "It's pretty neat being on the same campus for so long. Already knowing where every building was made my first day as a freshman very easy," she said.

Some students stay on a waiting list for years before attending the lab schools. Sims was unable to get in until the fourth grade, whereas Verret was admitted in kindergarten. She was able to

bypass the waiting list because her sister was already a lab school student.

It is likely the tradition will grow as the lab school students have children of their own.

"Each grade at the lab school is almost like a small family, Verret said.

"I really enjoyed spending nine years at those schools and if f I had to raise a family in Natchitoches, I would without a doubt send my kids there too," Verret said.



Andi Bass



Inquisitive elementary lab students ask their teacher all of life's little questions.



Elementary Lab School students play at recess. The playground is located near the IM field.

Photo by Cheryl Thompson



This future Demon Basketball player is living the legacy of the 2005-2006 men's team.



SHREVEPORT

NURSING

The mission of the NSU College of Nursing is to improve the health of people in Lousisana and advance the mission of NSU through exvellence in programs designed to assist individuals in achieving academic goals and becoming contributing members of a chosen profession and of society.

(Right)Nursing students get plenty of practice on dummies before they work with real patients. One dummy displays life-like body functions such as breathing and a heartbeat.

Photo by Chris Reich







The lives of college students are becoming more and more hectic. With school, organizations, work, and trying to maintain a social life, NSU students are in need of one common thing: ENERGY!

A popular way to find a boost in energy is through the growing interest in energy drinks such as Red Bull, Vault, Full Throttle, Elements Energy Drink, Rockstar Energy Drink, and sugar free and low-calorie versions of the that these brands offer.

"I don't really like

the taste of coffee that much. If I'm going to class, going workout, or need to study, I drink two Red Bulls and have energy to stay focused," Mitchell Loid, sophomore business administration major said.

Christina Harris, a freshman criminal justice major, has been drinking Red Bull and Monster Energy Drinks since they were first introduced. She said that she does not believe that they have any negative side effects. "They really do work. I drink two a day because I am always tired and they give me energy," Harris said. "Some of them taste okay; some of them don't taste that great, but I drink them anyway." More than the curiosities of why people depend on the drinks, and their tastes, the effects on health are being questioned.

Dr. Todd Whitehead, assistant professor of exercise physiology, said that these drinks provide energy because, like any beverage that has caloric content, they provide energy. The drinks contain herbal supplements such as gurnanu and ginseng that also play a part.

According to an article found at www.pubmed. com, scientific studies show that caffeinated beverages that also contain a popular ingredient taurine actually produce "improved attention and verbal reasoning." Another experiment showed that these drinks have no effect on short term memory but induce changes in heart rate and mean arterial blood pressure.

Results of experiments and opinions are varied.
Whitehead said that these drinks are marketed toward energy and performance enhancement. When compared to coffee or regular soft drinks Whitehead said, "I don't think it is any better, but I don't think it is any worse. Obviously, anything in excess is not good for you."

Claire Mayeux



EMERGY DRIMS



David Dinsmore, senior journalism major, re-energizes by drinking a Vault energy drink.

Internal



Have you noticed the new array of color splashed upon the walls inside Watson Library?

Watson Library's second floor reading room became the new home of art by individuals from Pinecrest Developmental Center.

These intricately designed pieces of art, ranging from coffee shop motifs to home-and-garden extras, are the designs of developmentally disabled residents of Pinecrest, located in Pineville.

These individuals are benefiting from art therapy through instruction by art therapist Melanie Downs.

"People show an expression of themselves through internal expression," Downs said. "Personal expression through art therapy gives them opportunities to connect with others through their own self-portrait."

Downs first premiered these designs in early August at the Alexandria Museum of Art's exhibit, Internal Expressions: Connecting People through Art.

Alex Aichinger, NSU's associate professor of political science, was intrigued by pieces from a feature story covering the exhibit in Alexandria's local newspaper, The Town Talk.

Aichinger contacted Downs for permission to feature art at the second annual Civil Rights Conference.

Aichinger served as master of ceremonies during the conference at the Natchitoches Events Center on October 5 and 6.

Aichinger said he hopes the conference's theme "Empowerment" will define civil rights as broadly as possible in connecting the artistic disabled with the community.

"Disability is one area that gets swept under the rug," Aichinger said. "The conference's goal is to promote a voice in all areas of civil rights, even those no one wants to talk about."



Art works made by resident of Pinecrest were on display at Watson Library.



(Far Left) Senior journalism/English major Lora Sheppard reads her Ekphrastic poem, a poem inspired by art, at the Civil Rights Conference.





Suitcase College

At many universities the weekend is a time when students go out on the town, not out of town.

NSU's campus, however, is often half empty by Friday and barren on Saturday and Sunday because a large percentage of NSU students leave town for the weekend.

Many students agree that one reason for the mass exodus is the lack of things to do in Natchitoches.

Enre Gant, a sophomore health and human performance major, said the only reason he stays in town is because going back to New Orleans, his home, is just too far of a drive. Otherwise, he too would go home on the weekends.

"It's boring. There is nothing to keep people here," Gant said.

"If you stay on the weekend all you do watch sports and play video games because there is nothing else to do. There is nowhere for people to just chill," said health and human performance sophomore Brad Williams.

Family is another reason students leave campus on the weekends. Freshmen, especially, often go home to see their parents.

"A lot of them [freshmen] go home because they miss their parents. It's hard enough being gone during the week, Page Dufrene, a freshman journalism major, said.

Because Natchitoches is such a small town options for weekend entertainment are limited.

NSU is also home to many nontraditional students, such as junior social work major Amanda Lane, who have various activities keeping them from campus.

"I don't even stay here during the day. I live an hour and a half away with two children, and Natchitoches is just not a place I want them to be," Lane said.

So what do those that stay in town do? Some hang out at a friend's house, a bar, go to the movies, sleep, or

attend on-campus events. Dufrene said that she and her friends go to home football games to remain entertained.

There are many ideas on how to keep students in town. Leisure activities such as shopping would keep students entertained in a small town such a Natchitoches.

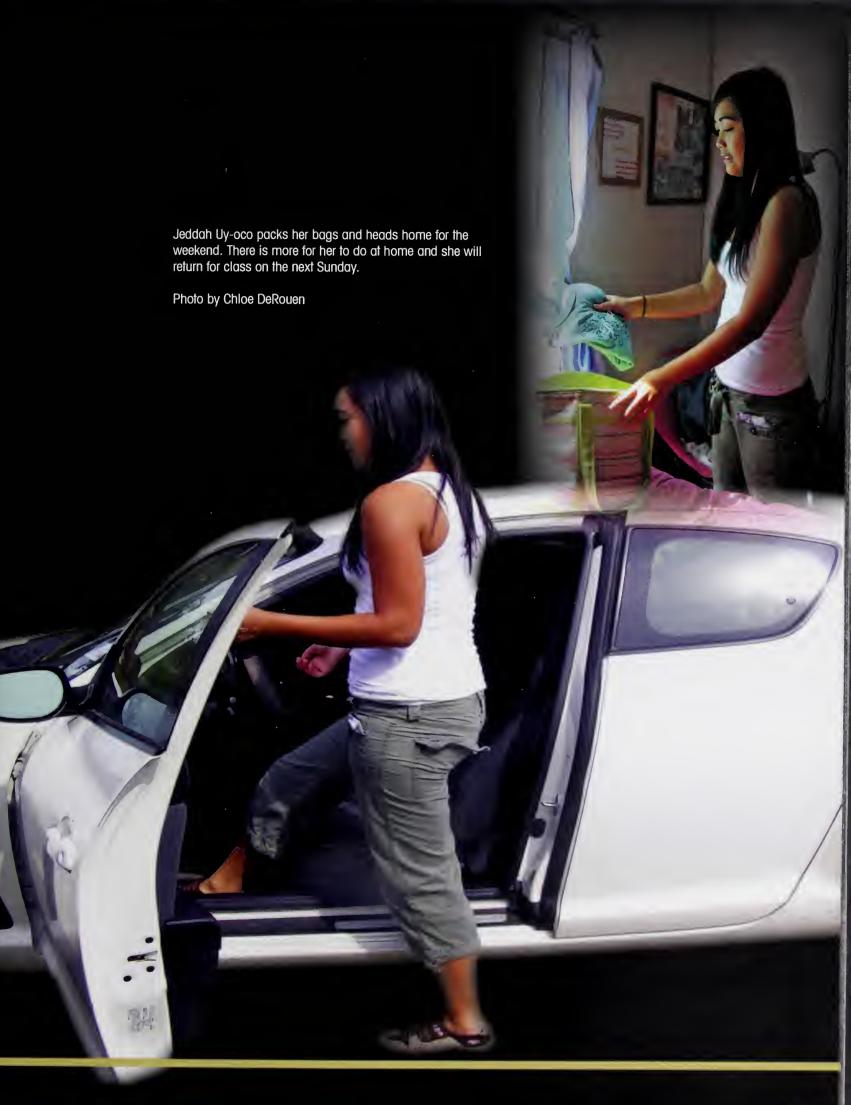
Gant suggested opening a shopping mall to busy NSU students."

Some students are not so optimistic, believing not much can be done, that hasn't already been tried.

"If they want to go home they are going to go home," said Dufrene.

Andi Bass







Freshman hospitality management and tourism major Danielle Antoon and her mother Merle Wilkerson Antoon are both sisters and mother and daughter. Merle pledged Sigma Simga Simga in the Fall of 1975 and Danielle continued the legacy when she pledged in Fall of 2006.

Photo courtesy of Danielle Antoon



Photo by Devon Ainsworth



greek Legacy

Greek life is a very important part of the college experience here at NSU. Being Greek can be even more special if you are a legacy: having someone in your family already being in your fraternity or sorority.

Freshman psychology major Danielle Antoon is a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority. Danielle's mother, Mevle, was also a member of Tri Sigma at NSU. "When I was little, I used to go to the Sigma house with her a lot because she was chapter advisor," Antoon remembers.

"She told me about the friendships she made. She has kept all her Sigma things. It was a positive experience for her and I wanted to go through it also," Antoon said.

Just because your family was in a particular fraternity or sorority doesn't mean you have to go in the same direction.

Sophomore business administration major Will Adams has a father, grandfather and two uncles that were Kappa Sigmas at Tulane and LSU. When Adams went through Rush he decided that Pi Kappa Phi was best fit for him.

"As soon as I knew what a fraternity was, I kind of wanted to follow what my dad had done. Going into it I favored Kappa Sigma more, but I went through Rush with an open mind. Being a legacy you have a lot to live up to and they expect a lot from you," Adams said.

A mother, two aunts and a cousin were the legacies that freshman, psychology major Ashley Nielsen had coming into NSU. "I always knew that I wanted to be a Phi Mu because I saw the sisterhood and bond that they shared," Nielsen said.

Every Greek legacy has something that is special to them about their experience. "It is special to me that I'm following in my mom's footsteps," Antoon admits.

Things can also change as in Adams' case. "My little brother is a Pi Kap pledge, so I'm leading the way for him. I will be a legacy to him."

Ashley Lewis

Kappa Pi



Kappa Pi is an international honorary art fraternity. The co-educational fraternity was chartered at NSU in 1959, and sometime in the 1980s the fraternity ceased to hold regular meetings. This year, art majors have taken it upon themselves to have the Gamma Mu chapter reinstated here on campus. "We want to make it something that is going to be permanent," said senior graphic communication major and president of Kappa Pi Larrie King. "It's really good for artists who are into getting recognized."

So far, Kappa Pi has approximately 30

members including students and faculty. The art fraternity has many plans in the making: annual student art shows, photography contests and special events for alumni art majors.

"By this time next year we'll be like all the other groups, getting ready for homecoming and taking pride in our campus," King said.

Ashley Lewis

Photos by Teranda Donatto







(Left and below) Kappa Pi displays the elements of art in a photo illustration.

Photo by Teranda Donatto

(Below) Kappa Pi stages "The Last Supper", during their Halloween party. Photo by Teranda Donatto



Photo by Teranda Donatto

THE BEST SOUNDING BAND IN THE LAND!

Balancing classes, jobs, organizational activities and long hours of practice may seem like a lot of work, but for members of the Spirit of Northwestern Demon Marching Band putting on great halftime shows for home town and visiting crowds are very rewarding.

The Spirit of Northwestern Demon Marching Band consists of 271 musicians, three drum majors, one feature twirler and 25 color guard members. The choice that students make to attend Northwestern and be part of this great band is some times influenced by alumni.

"My coach actually used to twirl here and I was scheduled to attend a different college near my home in Georgia but they told me I was too young since I was starting college when I was 17," senior feature twirler and mathematics major Tricia Kuhlman said. "So, I went college hunting again and heard about NSU from my coach."

The band's year started out with a rock-themed show including "Open Up Wide," "Pinball Wizard" and "Attitude Dance". Their next show included a new twist to the marching band scene. A western themed show included "Home on the Range" and featured soloist faculty member Andrej Kurti during "Devil Went Down to Georgia," on the electric fiddle. Kurti is an assistant professor of violin. This was the first time in the band's history that a faculty member has performed a solo with the band during a half time show. The final halftime show performed of the season was a Latin show.

Natchitoches residents aren't the only ones who get to enjoy the sound of pride from Demon land. The full band traveled to Waco, Texas, for the Northwestern vs. Baylor football game. Not only was it a good way to recruit incoming high school seniors, but also to see how they matched up to another band.

"The Baylor game was a great chance to see how our band and drumline sized up against larger school's," senior music education major Ronnie Ivy said. Ivy has played percussion in the Spirit of Northwestern Demon Marching Band since 2001. "I've been in the SON for a long time and I can honestly say this has been the best [college] experience so far."

As football season ends, the Spirit of Northwestern Demon Marching Band splits into three concert bands and the Purple Haze Pep Band, which plays for the basketball teams. The band also marched in the annual Natchitoches Christmas Festival parade, performed one of their halftime shows at the Parkway High School Marching Contest in Shreveport. and at the NSU marching contest at Turpin Stadium.

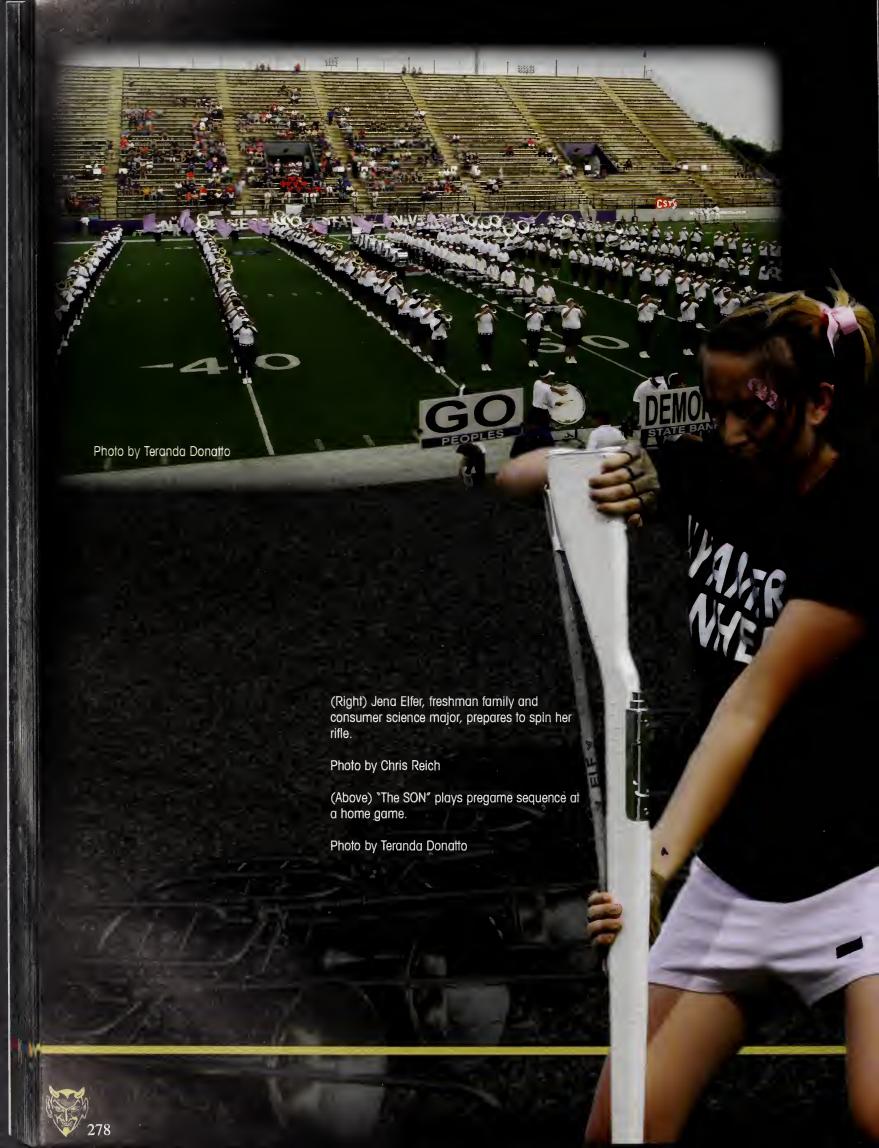
Amanda Crane

Front ensemble members concentrate under the instruction of Curtis Simmons.

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(Right) Andi Finimore, sophmore education major, holds her flag at right shoulder.

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(Above) "The SON" stands and plays in warm up arch at $\mbox{ rehersal.}$

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2007 Potpourri is a product of many late nights, tears and extremely hard work. I learned how to push myself to the limits and meet deadlines. Making a yearbook is about more than cute pictures and feature stories; it's about mastering skills and making something that NSU students, faculty and alumnae can be proud of.

I have some very important thank yous to say. Thank you to the 2005-2006 men's basketball team for supplying the inspiration for the theme of the 2006-2007 Potpourri: Legacy. Their victory set a standard of excellence for all Demon athletes. Thank you to my wonderful fiancé, Mark, for holding me up when I was sleep deprived and physically exhausted. (Mark, you are my rock and I would never make it without your unconditional love and support.)

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Thank you to the entire student body of Northwestern State University. This book is for you and I hope you enjoy it for years to come. Look back on your years as a Demon and remember the legacy of those that came before you and the legacy that you left behind.

As cliché as it sounds . . . it seems like just yesterday I was a freshman on the Potpourri staff. I had never felt more uncomfortable and unsure of myself, but through the insistence of friends and family I maintained my position.

Three years later I have only become a better person and journalist through my participation and progress on the Potpourri staff. Overall, I am a more adaptable, laid back and organized person because at some point I was forced to recognize the limited amount of control I have over pretty much everything.

I am blessed to have become friends with the fellow members of the staff who have taught me numerous lessons; some welcomed, some not so much.

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Goodbye to the Potpourri. Goodbye to NSU. I hope I have done my part to leave behind a legacy.

Claire Mayeux Associate Editor



Serving as the Assistant Editor for the 2007 Potpourri was a valuable experience. I learned a lot about responsibility and leadership. I hope as an NSU student you find this book a reflection of the past year and enjoy looking back. Please know we put in oodles of hours, thought and hard work to produce a book we can be very proud of. I enjoyed coming to the office for my yearbook hours because I truly loved the company of the yearbook staff. We are seriously an interesting mix of ladies. Lindsay, Lora, Claire, Cheryl and Devon taught me many life lessons and in return I taught them the awkward turtle, which was used on a regular basis. A special shout out to Lindsay for being patient with me and staying calm, for the most part, under deadlines. Lora, I will forever be your minion and can't wait until the day when I get my own! I see Claire in the office, at home and for Phi Mu stuff and I'm still not sick of her yet. Cheryl, my twin, always kept us entertained with stories, questions or anything else to keep us wondering. Devon, I'm so glad you joined the staff, the design for the book is awesome. My friends also get a thumbs up for listening to me talk about yearbook more than they probably want to- y'all are the best! And last but not least what kind of only child would I be if I didn't thank my parents? They are hands down the most amazing and best parents a girl could ask for. Yearbook is fun and this year has been a real treat. I hope everyone likes the book!

Lela Coker Assistant Editor



Whew! It's OVER!

Never did I think I would be sitting as Design Editor for the Potpourri. It's been one wild adventure. A lot of late nights, chocolate and caffeine were apart of every deadline. When I first started laying out the yearbook I was in way over my head. I had no idea what all went into bringing this book together, now after 6 months of eating and breathing yearbook, I know. All I can say is WOW! A lot of dedication, sweat, tears, and blood. (Just kidding about the blood thing, even though it felt like it.)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank many wonderful people. First of all, Lindsay, thank you so much for giving me this opportunity. Working on this yearbook made me push myself in so many ways to be the best I could be. I had fun, and will miss the late nights of craziness and blurry eyes. To Lora, Claire, Lela, and Chris, it was awesome. I will definitely miss the comic relief, awkward turtles, and getting in Lora's bubble. You helped keep me sane while working on this book. Roland, my wonderful fiancé, thank you, you are my rock. Thank you for bringing me food late at night, giving me a shoulder to cry on, and pushing me to be my best. Mom, Dad, and Brat (Kayla, my sister), thank you for supporting me through everything. You pushed me and helped me become the person I am today. Thank you, I hope I've made you proud. To the lovely ladies of Tau Beta Sigma, my sorors, I'm going to miss you. You all have been my family away from home and always will be in my heart.



NSU students and faculty, this book is for all of you and the legacy we are leaving. I hope you will look at this book in 20 years and remember all the good times. I know I will, at NSU I have a lot of good memories and friends that will always be with me. Thank you NSU! Thank you Potpourri staff! It's been a wonderful experience, here's my legacy to you.

Devon Ainsworth Design Editor



What can I say about my time at NSU? For starters, I wouldn't change anything. It was all for a reason, even getting hit by a truck. Also, being on the yearbook staff was one of the best experiences of my college life. I met some interesting people and made some great friends. I truly miss working with all of you.

Thanks to everyone who helped me while I was on staff. Thanks to Gary Hardamon for contributinghis amazing work whenever it was needed. Thanks to Dr. Furr, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Dootsie, Dr. Colavito, and Yanko for teaching me all the valuable lessons that helped me better my skills as a photographer and as a person. Thanks to Chris Reich and Teranda Donatto for being the go to photographers. Thanks to Lindsay Larcom, Claire Mayeaux, Devon Ainsworth, David Dinsmoreand and Lela Coker for making staff meetings so damn fun.

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were my rock and my muse for the past ten years. Thanks for helping me through anything I needed, including getting past my writer's block.

It was a fun ride, but now I have to get off before I throw up. Peace out kids.

Cheryl Thompson Photo Editor I think I blinked, at some point between class, not sleeping, stress and the failure of my immune system. Where did this year go?

Oh, there it is. With the homesickness, almost-crying, and jubilation of finally graduating.

At one point during the semester I gave Lela Coker a piece of advice — that if she forgets everything else, let this be the one thing she remembers. It is one of the things I learned the previous year during my bout as the Sauce's Editor-in-Chief. My legacy, if you will.

Trust no one.

However, it is an unfinished statement. What I mean is this: in the end, through all your stress, trials, heartache, anger and fatigue the one person you must be able to depend on is yourself. Leaning on others is expected, but you

have to be able to lean on yourself first. Without that, the trust you place in others is meaningless. You must find the core of your strength, build upon it, and let others lean on it, but don't be afraid to lean on others as well. Friends and family understand more than you think.

So with that, I give my thanks to a round of people who, for a variety of reasons, have become my people to lean on. First and foremost, to my parents, for everything. I can only hope to live up to their example and be as good a person as they each are. To Cheryl – Tweedle Dee to my Tweedle Dum – for forcing me to sleep when needed and making me see the truth of things when that was needed too. To Annie, my Ole-Miss voice of reason, for keeping me sane during our semi-monthly rants/chats. Lela, you'll always be my freshman. Good luck next year, but for the grace of God. To my grad-buddies, Claire and Lindsay, you ladies are awesome and I wish each of you the happiness you deserve. Devon, you came in late in the game, but you are no less special for it. You have a talent, and I know that it will carry you however far you need to go. There are plenty of people left, too many to name, but I want all of you to know that you have my most sincere thanks for everything you have done. I would not have made it here, at the finish line, without any of you.

So, to the students of NSU, past, present and future, the yearbook staff presents this book. Keep in mind the people you lean on and trust, and remember the legacy those before you have left as you move on to create your own.

Lora Sheppard Copy Editor







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